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states were prepared to offer here was £350m through the ther today gave the Community a "last end Britain's huge mechanism designed to offset unfairly large budget contribu-

However, Mrs Thatcher acknowledged that this offer might provide a useful start to solving the dispute. What Britain needed was an additional cash refund whereby the Community would pay for projects at present financed by the British Government.

Government. Mrs Thatcher emphasized that the next summit meeting that the next summit meeting really was the last chance to solve the budget problem. She said that Britain had to have the money for spending in the next financial year which ends in April; 1981.

After the meeting, both Mr Jack Lynch, the kish Prime Minister, who chaired the summit, and Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the European Commission, expressed scepticism.

mission, expressed scepticism that a settlement would be reached at the next council

meeting. A measure of the difficulties facing Mrs Thatcher was the statement by President Giscard d'Estaing, of France, after the meeting in which he appeared to make a settlement of the budger issue dependent on Community solutions to outstanding disputes over common fisheries, sheepmest and

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money" whereas Mr Lynch and other leaders insisted that contributions to the EEC budget were the Community's "own resources" and not simply handouts by national govern-

The Irish Prime Minister made the point that a large part of the EEC budget revenue comes from uniform duties comes from unitorin duries levied on industrial and agricultural imports into the Community from outside. Individual member states, he said, merely acfed as the collecting agents for the Community.

Mrs Thatcher retorted that it was much easier moffer chaic.

was much easier to offer obeis-ance to doctrinal principles of this kind when they guaranteed large material benefits, as was the case for most of Britain's partners. .

In separate statements, the heads of government condemned the holding of American bostages in Tehran as a flagram breach of international law, and also expressed concern about the tragic situation of Cambodian refugees. Action by Euro-MPs: Angry at

Action by Euro-Mrs: Angry at the results of the Dublin summit. Mr James Scott Hopkins, leader of the conservative Democratic group in the European Parliament, said that the political leaders had "created a crisis which will not easily be overcome" (Michael Hatfield reports).

It was undoubted he said, that there was justice in Britain's claim, and he gave a warning that European MPs would have to consider following the advice of their budget committee and reject the Community's 1980 budget, when they meet in Strasbourg in 10 days

n France boycotted nize the need for rapid progress some hardship for people in in these areas.

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She persisted in speaking of Leading article, nage 13. "Such a course would entail

dispute Issue of equality holds up Rhodesia accord

From David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent

Objections to the British plans for a ceasefire in Rhodesia continued to be voiced by the Petriotic Front leadership, casting some doubt on the hopes of an agreement being reached last night.

Mr Josius Nicomo and Mr. Robert, Mugabe called to see Lord Carrington, the conference chairman, at the Foreign Office yesterday evening on his return from the European Community summit in Dublin, to give their considered reply to the British

Mr. Mugabe made it clear yes-terday that the Parriodic Front still felt suspicious about the arrangements for the disposition of forces in Rhodesia, and what the British side meant by reciprocal disengagen

"We would like to see a position in which we occupy equal status with the Rhodesian forces, in other words, if the Rhodesian forces are to remain Rhodesian torces are to remain in their existing bases, our forces must have the right to remain in their existing bases. If we are to move to assembly points the Rhodesian forces must move to their barracks", he said in a relevision inter-

negoriations. The British side has argued that guerrilla forces, by their very nature, do not occupy established bases, as the Rhodesian forces do and therefore must rever to do, and therefore must move to

Mr Nkomo has summed up their view in the slogan: "If we move, they move."

insisting that the British proposals had not gone far enough to remove the embiguity over the disposition of forces, Mr Mugabe also expressed concern over the role the Rhodesian Air Force. What is going to happen to ?" he asked, "South African What is guing South African it?" he asked, "South African phots were part of their force. We want it grounded." The British have not yet given an he complained.

If the Patriotic Front forces were in assembly aceas they would be vulnerable to air attack. Mr Mugabe said. The Rhodeslan Air Force had been repeatedly used against the front line states and the Patriotic Front wanted to enter the resemble to the control of the patriotic front wanted to enter it was enter the patriotic front wanted to enter it was enter the patriotic property. sure that it was going to be curbed during the ceasefire. Agreement on the ceasefire plan depended on how prepared

points the Rhodesian forces must move to their barracks", he said in a television interview.

This demand has been repeated again and again as a basic principle of the Patriotic Front throughout the recent plan depended on how prepared Lord Carrington was to meet their case for equality of treatment. Mr. Mugabe added. "I think we might get there but we are not prepared to accept the position as given us at the moment."

Moderates could give their union leadership a rebuff and accept 20% pay offer

Early miners' ballot returns point to rejection of strike

and David Felton The miners look set to The miners took set to deliver their union leaders a remarkable rebuff by rejecting the call to authorize strike action in pursuit of wage increases in excess of the National Coal Board's "final"

National Coal Board's "final"
20 per cent pay offer.
After a propaganda war of
unusual bitterness in the coalfields, first returns from the
pithead ballot held yesterday
point strongly towards a final
vote that falls short of the 55
per cent majority required to

per cent majority required to mount industrial action.

Miners in the traditionally moderate area of Nottinghamshire are understood to have gone against the executive recommendation of the National Union of Minerers and union of Mineworkers, and men in the nearby "barometer" coalfield of Derbyshire are believed to have said "no" by about 51 per cent.

But the real shocks are coming in the militant areas of

ing in the militant areas of Scotland and South Wales. North of the border, Scots miners are voting for the execurive line, but the endorsement

varies widely, and the coalfield still being packaged last night national executive committee bership was being asked to supvaries widely, and the coalfield is expected to produce about a 65 per cent majority, compared with 87 per cent in the last strike ballot under Conservative rule in 1974.

And in South Wales, where

And in South Wales, where the coal board's warnings about market losses if the price of coal rises too quickly seem to have gone home. Last night, officials were ruefully predicting that the left-wing-led coalfield will produce a majority of not much more than 50 per cent. From the results known in Yorkshire, the prediction of area Yorkshire, the prediction of area leaders that the men would give the NUM executive 70 per cent backing appear to have been

Even this weight of votes is,

Even this weight of votes is, however, unlikely to carry the day against big majorities, "against" being recorded in the Midlands and Durham. And the big white-collar national group, Colliery Official and Staff Association, will go strongly against the executive on advice from its leadership. It is too early to give a firm judgment on unofficial returns from the coalfields. Votes were

from the coalfields. Votes were

to be taken to the count at the offices of the Electoral Reform Society in London. But the last time that Scotland produced a 65 per cent majority for militancy, in the vote on phase two of the social contract in 1976, the men rejected indus-

trial action. The best psephological source in the union last night worked out that on the basis of known varing patterns, the final result would be about 100,000 to 90,000 against giving the NUM leadership authority to call a strike.

The union executive meets next Thursday to consider the next move, but if, as expected, the vote goes against militancy, the miners have little choice but to accept the 20 per cent now on offer. That would represent a significant source satisfaction for government ministers trying to win workers over to more moderate pay

settlements.

The wording on the ballot paper was: "In view of the unsatisfactory response by the board to our wages claim the

asks members to give the com-mittee authority to take various forms of industrial action including national strike action if necessary, to win an increase in wages in line with the annual conference decision. Are you therefore in favour of rejecting the buard's offer and giving authority to the NEC to call industrial action including call industrial action including national strike action if neces-

One underground worker at the South Kirkby pit near Barnsley said: "We're going to vote here for a strike. We've done it before and we can do it again. Only this time we'll

But reactions in Derbyshire down for the day shift vester-day at the hig Markham Colliery, near Chesterfield, com-plained that the NUM executive was asking them to reject a good offer. "I'm not so rich that I can

worker. Another said the mem-

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Labour's war of words between rival factions over its

future was dramatically intensi-

fied last night when Mr William Rodgers, a former Cabinet

minister, issued a warning that if the "hard liners" of the left

wanted a fight to the finish they

Mr Rodgers, anything but a tyro in the art of political in-fighting—he orchestrated the successful campaign against uni-leteral nuclear disarmament in

the early 60s—said if the battle should split the party, the left should not suppose that the

inheritance would be incirs.

The public entry of Mr Rodgers into the struggle, though he has been working behind the scenes, will no doubt put fresh heart into his centre-right colleagues, many of whom are beginning to despair at the direction of the party.

His speech to the Abertillery

longer, in which to save itself.

But the omens, he said, were ot good. The national

executive committee remained

ruthlessly committed to a com-mission of inquiry rigged in

favour of a single point of view.
Its exponents wanted to clip the wings of MPs. They wanted to choose a leader who would do

their bidding and conform to

their requirements; and they wanted to dominate the mani-festo-making process at election

time.
Mr Rodgers said that a party

of the far left, in which Tri-bune members would be moder-

ates, would have little appeal to the millions of voters who re-jected doctrinaire and extreme solutions. "If such a party were to defy the lessons of ex-

perience and win a general elec-

inheritance would be theirs.

Political Reporter

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Labour left hardliners

the finish' challenge

fresh heart into his centre-right colleagues, many of whom are beginning to despair at the direction of the party.

His speech, to the Abertillery constituency Labour Party was would be a tragedy. But they would not die. They would survive hecause there would be men and women prepared to carry on the fight. The enthusiasm and the vision would constituency Labour Party was

one of the strongest yet to be heard from a member of the shadow Cabinet, including Mark the vision would endure and the standard-bearers would not be lacking."

heard from a member of the shadow Cabinet. including Mr James Callaghan, the party leader. He has said that the party had one year, not much longer, in which to save itself.

port industrial action for political reasons. We accepted single tigure rises under a Lahour government but as soon as the Tories get in we are asked to come out on strike."

At the modern Florence Pit near Stoke-on-Trent in Stafford-shire, there was a hig turnout for the hallot with union branch officials predicting a " no of up to 70 per cent. Mr Cecil Cooke, the union branch secretary who was advising his mem-bers to vote against the NEC, said: "This will give the executive a slap in the face. They have really misjudged it this time.

The main reasons for the less than wholehearted support for were different. Miners going the executive seem to be the lack of will to take on the Government in an all-out strike and general satisfaction with the offer on top of good pay rates, especially in the more productive coalfields. Bonus payments in Derlyshire for instance can afford to turn down a 517 a add more than 140 a week to week pay rise," said one face a faceworker's weekly pay

burden on our parliamentary system and our mixed econ-

omy". he said. While some of his parliamen

tary colleagues may feel that Mr Rodgers has been carried

away by excess in his descrip-tion of the left's direction, he

made no bones about what he felt the effect would be, dropping a veiled hint that he and

some of his colleagues would leave the party.

The words he used were: "I do not believe that many of us

would want to be a passenger

on such a gravy train to dis-

Later on in his speech, when he defended the party's traditional principles, he said:
"If our party should abandon

or betray these principles, it would be a tragedy. But they

his Richard Dimbleby lecture on the BBC last week.

Mr Callaghan, it can be authoritatively stated, has dismissed such a proposition in discussions with colleagues. His view about Mr Jenkins is that

he is a person of enormous ability but one who has no idea

of what political fighting is all about. Mr Jenkins may have been deputy leader of the party, but he had never once contested

of the national executive com-

that the current arguments went

much beyond a debate on the

rights and duties of MPs. It was

deeper than the superficial

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slogans about accountability.

Mr Rodgers said last night

Up to 50,000 jobs could go in BSC **cutbacks**

By Peter Hill Industrial Editor

Heavy redundancies which could affect up to 50,000 steel-workers are being sought by the British Steel Corporation in a desperate attempt to become competitive. News of the scale of the cutbacks being sought was given to leaders of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, the industry's largest union yesterday by Mr Robert Scholey, the corpora-tion's chief executive. Although union leaders

expected a major scaling down of the corporation's labour force the details given by Mr Scholey to members of the ISTC executive prompted "an immediate explosion" according. to a union spokesman. The move could prompt a protest strike, said Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC.

Earlier this week, the BSC revealed a loss for the first half of its present financial year of £145,6m and losses for the full year are expected to be about \$300m.

The _ _ Government-endorsed objective of breaking even by next March has now formally been abandoned, and Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, has re-affirmed his view that he expects the corporation to take prompt remeits finances. Revenue losses will no longer be financed by the Government beyond the end of the present finencial year.

Mr Scholey told the ISTC

Mr Scholey told the ISIC executive at its London head quarters that the labour force—presently 182,000—will have to be reduced to 100,000, in line with the planned reductions of steelmaking capacity from the present 21.6 million tonnes to 15 million tonnes.

"Against the beckground of "Against the background of 15 million tonnes of liquid steel, the board does not see the pros-

the board does not see the prospect of a manpower level in excess of 100,000 people in the future", Mr Scholey said:
"One way or another all plants will be affected. Some will get more work and some will get less. We want to get to a cost basis from which we can move forward."

But he said that the corporation had not yet finalized the

tion had not yet finalized the exact number of workers it needed, or the dates for the implementation of the cutbacks. The latest round of closures and redundancies comes on top of an already accelerated closure by the collapse in market de-mand for steel which, the cor-poration now admits, has occurred much more sharply and much earlier than its fore-

casts indicated. About 20,000 jobs are affected Anoth 20,000 jobs are attended by closures already announced, and include works at North Wales, Northamptonshire, Lanarkshire and on Teesside. The corporation also employs about 30,000 non-steelmaking staff, and it is clear that the axe Continued on page 17, col 7



A member of Iran's Revolutionary Council, Muhammad

Shah seeks US help to leave the country

that he still planned to leave the United States despite Mexico's decision not to allow him to return to his residence

there. in a statement issued by a spokesman, the Shah said he was asking the Carter Administration for assistance in leaving the country. He did not specify where he wanted to go. President Sadat of Egypt has offered to send his personal aircraft to the United States to take the Shah to Egypt.

According to spokesmen for the Shah, the Bahamas and Bermuda were also possibilities. The statement said the Shah was distressed over the Mexican Government's decision. He hoped that his departure would help President Carter to resolve the Iranian crisis.

The Shah's doctors said yes-terday that he was well enough to leave the United States. Observers expect that his departure will be carried out with as much secrecy as his arrival in the United States.—Reuter. Patrick Brogan writes from Washington: The United States

New York, Nov 30.—The Government has refused to deposed Shah of Iran said today make any official comment on Mexico's surprising decision to refuse to allow the Shah to return to his exile there.
It is assumed here that the Mexican Government was responding to the pressures of domestic politics, as Mexico has

domestic politics, as Mexico has little or no contact with Iran, or indeed the Middle East generally, and is therefore immune to Iranian pressure.

The United Strates was given little warning of the decision, which is undoubtedly a disap-

If he remains here, and Ayarollah Khomeini continues to insist on the Shah's extra-dition as a condition for the release of the hostages, then President Carter will have to take some further action against

At any event, the United States is pursuing vigorously its diplomatic counter-offensive and hopes to win a formal condemnation of the Iranian Gov-eroment by the United Nations Security Council and the Inter-national Court of Justice in the

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I simply flew when he said



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having to make their rrangements. Extra efuelling are bound Agreement by lavs which will probup towards the week-Nine on trial of terrorists An agreement reached by European

Community justice ministers provides for the trial of terrorism suspects in any EEC country regardless of where the crime was committed. The question of extradition is left to the discretion of individual countries. That brings Europe into line with an existing agreement between Britain and the Irish Republic at a time when convictions in the republic of people belonging to the IRA have fallen sharply Page 2

Entry ban on three Indian children

A decision by the Home Office not to permit three Indian children deported in August to return to Britain has angered immigrant organizations. At the same time the Home Office decided not to deport a Bangladeshi gui, aged seven, who entered Britain filegally to live with her adoptive parents in Oxford

Meccano factory shuts down

The Liverpool factory which for more than 70 years has produced Meccano sets, and since 1932 has made Dinky toys, closed with the loss of 1,000 jobs. The names will not die, however. Production is to be transferred elsewhere Page 17

'Whites only' repeal

The South African Government's decision to repeal the whites only statutes in the building trade and car assembly industry will virtually abolish job reservation in the republic. Only driving of ambulances in Cape Town and ven-tilation of mines are still to be barred to blacks. The significance of the move is more psychological than practical

Boy's death inquiry

A statutory inquiry is to be beld into the death of a boy aged four by child neglect in The Wirnell in 1976. It will concern whether the first of two local inquiries was misled because it did not see a key memorandum Parliament, page 3

Alert at Heathrow as DC10 lands

Emergency services stood by at Heath-row when a New Zealand Airways DC10 landed, after a warning that wing flaps were not working properly. The aircraft, of the same type as that which crashed in Augustica cardiac this week crashed in Amarctica earlier this week with the loss of 257 lives, had been leased to British Airways. It was carrying 35 passengers from Philadelphia

Council workers' pay: Local authorities increase offer to 13 per cent for one million employees

Drinking Bill: Private member's measure allowing for more flexible hours in public houses and clubs fails to get second reading in Commons Paris: French MPs give permanent legality to abortion Chile: Washington retaliates for Santi-

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Angry response to Home Office decision not to allow three deported Indian children to return

Immigrant organizations responded angrily yesterday to the news that the Home Office is not to permit three Indian children deported in August to return to Britain. In another case the Home Office has decided "quite exceptionally" nor to deport Ayesha Khatun, aged seven, a Bangladeshi girl who entered the country illegally to live with her adoptive parents in Oxford.

Jayesh Patel, aged 16, and his brothers, Sanjesh, aged 13, and Dipresh, aged 10, have been in since August with their mother, Mrs Manju Patel, a British Rail cleaner from Rail cleaner from Gillingham, Kent and last night she was being urged to stay there until the Committee on United Kingdom Citizenship can appeal against the decision on

Mrs Patel, who is divorced from her Indian husband, went back to India with the children n March because Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State at the Home Office, decided they should make a proper application for entry clearance. The abildeen had entered Reitain in hildren had entered Britain in March without permission.

In a statement yesterday the Home Office said: "In the light of information received from the entry clearance officer the minister is not satisfied that Mr Patel has ever given up parental responsibility for his children or that Mrs Patel has ever had sole responsibility for them." Neighbours and friends had

raised £2,000 for Mrs Patel to return to India with her child-ren in the hope that their applications would be treated quickly and enable them to return to

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Mr Praful Patel, of the Committee on United Kingdom Citizenship, said yesterday that he had spoken to Mrs Patel in Bombay, and she was baffled and terribly upset by the deci-

mate is so charged on immi- husbands and fiancees was grant matters at the moment attacked yesterday by the that I think these children have been made political scapegoats. Christmas is so near and there should be some compassion for these children. I have never known an individual case which received so much sympathy and understanding from the British

Mrs Patel had been given cus-

tody of the children in an English court and their father had made a sworn statement in India saying that he had no desire to have the children or to follow his family to England. The Rev Russell Thomson, Vicar of Gillingham, said he was shocked and horrified by the decision. "I am not proud of being British. I am ashamed of what we have done to this woman and her children," he

Dr Sally Radford, of the United Kingdom Asian Woman's Conference, said: "Humanity dictates that these boys should be with their mother".

While there was distress in Kingdom.
Gillingham, in Oxford there was great relief among friends, neighbours and teachers who campaigned for Avesha Khatun to remain with her uncle, Mt Ali Rojob, a restaurant owner, and his wife, who adopted her when her mother died and rought her from Bangladesh to live with them.

The Home Office statement said that Mr Raison had decided "quite exceptionally" and not without hesitation that Ayesha could stay, but gave a warning that people who wanted to bring children to this country in similar circumstances would still be expected to apply for entry clearance under the immigration rules.

Concession attacked: The latest men. If there was an abuse and concession by the Government, which will allow British women abroad who have one United Kingdom-born parent to

Equal Opportunities Commis-sion and the National Council for Civil Liberties (Annabel

Ferriman writes). The Equal Opportunities Commission said that the concession did not go far enough and still meant that women wanting to bring in husbands would be dependent on the discretion of the Home Secretary, The National Council for Civil Liberties said that it made even clearer the racialist nature of the Government's

proposals.

The Government's intention, stated in its White Paper on November 14, is to prevent marriage being used as a means of primary immigration. The paper said that a foreign man might be allowed to settle with his wife or fiancée in Britain if there was no reason to suppose that the purpose of the marriage was settlement, and if the woman was a United Kingdom citizen, born in the United would have no claim to

sertle here, but might be allowed to do so, the draft rules Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, intends to announce on Tuesday that a man can apply for clearance even if his intended wife was not born here, as long as she has one parent who was born in the United Kingdom.

"We . welcome amelioration of the rules which extends more rights to women but the problem is that the right of settlement is still discretion-

Nor did it see any need to treat women differently from one had to curtail citizens' rights to deal with it, then one should curtail the rights of men



Mrs Manju Patel with her three sons (left to right), Jayesh, Sanjesh, and Diptesh,

penalized. Mr Fowler said.

Among bodies objecting to the change were the CBI NFU; AA,

Substantial staff economies

would be made in any case as

a result of the departmental

post offices, which would

Professor Blunt

press questions

Professor Anthony Blunt, the self-confessed traitor, is to answer questions from the press provided they are submitted in

writing. His answers will also

After he had been revealed

as a former spy for the Russians, Professor Blunt gave

rest of the national press at

not being allowed to interview

solicitor, said yesterday: "Pro-fessor Anthony Blunt invites

the press to submit written questions for him to answer in

writing. It must be emphasized

again that Professor Blunt will

be unable to answer questions

Mr Rubinstein said Professor

involving considerations of national security."

Mr Michael Rubinstein his

to answer

be given in writing.

and various tourist bodies

Government drops plan

for replacing car tax

By Michael Baily

ment has decided

Commons vesterday.

Transport Correspondent

Car licence tax will not be

Strong objections by rural

motorists and business users weighed heavily against the measures during a departmental review, Mr Norman Fowler,

Minister for Transport, said after announcing the decision

in a written answer in the

By shifting the £1,100m vehicle licence revenue on to petrol the price would have

gone up 20p a gallon, adding more than £100m a year to the costs of the big users in in-

Many rural users who depend

particularly heavily on the car as their main form of transport

would have been unduly

Campaign aims

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent

A year-long campaign to over-come the mistaken belief that

contracting cancer necessarily

means a death sentence was launched in Manchester vester-day. The campaign will concentrate on the fact that the fatal thing is delay in seeking advice. That springs from failure to realize that something

is seriously wrong, or from fear that something, possibly can-

cer, is wrong.

The average delay between

noticing a first symptom and seeking expert advice is three

months. Some people delay

it was estimated that 15,000 more cancer victims could be saved if they saw their doctors

Deaths from cervical cancer

are falling faster in the North-

west than in any other part of

the country because of the

region's screening service and

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Vatican 'trial' evokes unprecedented act of ecumenical solidarity

British theologians defend Belgian priest

Religious Affairs: Correspondent

The entire weight of academic theology in Britain has today been pur behind the defence of a Belgian priest who is in trouble with the Vatican because of his views.

As an ecumenical act of solidarity it is without prece-dence. Steps have been taken to bring all this pressure to bear at the highest levels in This protest at the treatment

of the priest, Fr Edward: Schillebeeckx, of Nijmegen University, is conveyed in a letter to the Editor of The Times which is published today. copy, it is understood, is already on its way by special channels, to the Pope.

All holders of academic chairs of theology, divinity,

religious studies and related fields were invited to sign. A large number of readers and lecturers also indicated their

One or two professors who declined, did so, it is understood, because, while agreeing with the principle, they disagreed with the tactics of a public protest of this kind.

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Local councils

of the two.

offered their manual workers, estimated at one million, a 13

per cent wage rise. But they said that the package would mean still higher increases in

rates, cut in jobs, or a mixture

Unions agreed to negotiate on the deal, without committing

themselves to accept that 13 per cent was the final offer.

The surprise offer came after the employers said that given the level of rane-support grant set by the Government, 9 per

cent was all they could afford.

However, after an adjournment they increased the offer to 13

per cent, with the details to be

negotiated later. A cut in irours

Mr Brian Rusbridge, chief

negotiator for the employers, said the 4 per cent difference

would have to be financed "either from increases in the rates or a reduction in man-

The size of the deal would leave local authorities about

The offer was greeted warmly

by the unions, whose chief negotiator, Mr. Charles Donnett,

said he was optimistic that a negociated settlement could be reached.

yesterday

Fr Schillebeeckx, a Dominican who holds a chair of theology at Nijmegen, is under investigation by the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the department of the Vatican which has power to check on, and it necessary censure the work of Roman Catholic thenlogians. Catholic theologians.

The process of investigating his opinions has apparently been conducted in secret for the last three years, and he been summoned to what has virtually constitutes a rial before the Sacred Congrega-tion's assessors later this month

.He is regarded in theological

circles as one of the most dislogians operating in any church A censure from the Sacred Congregation could jeopardize the circulation of his books, could prevent Roman Catholic theological students with church-sponsorship from hear-ing his lectures, and could bstruct his professional future he decided to move. It would also affect all other theologians writing in his field, who would he warned not to express views.

The simmering controversy

over a constituency Labour Party's protest over the influ-ence of the left wing could boil

The action of the Falmouth

and Camborne divisional party in splitting from the national organization is to be raised at a

meeting of the Cornwall county

Mr Rik Evans, who failed at the May general election in his attempt to unseat the Secretary

of State for Trade, Mr John Nott, in the neighbouring St

Ives constituency, said yeste "I intend to raise this day: "I intend to raise this whole business at this meeting

as a matter of real urgency.

"It needs to be thrashed

so that what I consider a rather

selly action does not do any more damage to the Labour

Mr Kenneth Roberts, veteran secretary and agent for the Falmouth and Camborne party.

said: "I shall certainly opposa any move by Mr Evans or any-one else to bring this up".

monetarist policy

By Our Political Reporter
The Government was turning monetarism into a fanatical religion, Mr James Calleghan, Leader of the Opposition, said

in Glasgow last night, and its economic and social policies

were in a mess.

He said that the Chancellor

Treasury ministers had no real economic policy. "They have a religious belief that monetarism

and strength through suffering will be our salvation.

the matter, he said. Some of those who originally advocated the present policies were back-

fanaricism about monetarism was intensifying and reinforc-ing the adverse effects of the world recession and was, there-

world recession and was there fore, making Britain's position significantly worse.

Mr Angus Mande, the Pay-master General, accepted in a

speech last night that Britain was heading for a more difficult

The Cabinet was divided on

Mr Callaghan

criticizes

of the Excheq

over today.

because of his views.

The investigation of his reality of the Resurrection, and

Fr. Schillebeeck -: in trouble

opinions fouches on the basic doctrines of Christianity, and he has been called upon to give a considered reply to nine detailed questions concerning his beliefs. Fr Schillebeeckx has for

instance, been asked to state whether he accepts the objective

in the national party is a very accurate reflection of our sup-

to gracinis apinions on such matters as the Virgin Birth. That seesen as constituting a formidable attack by the Sacred Conferention which always acts in the hame of the Pope, on certain, strong currents in median shabasing thinking medern theological thinking. Academic sources who have hair following the arguments saff that the meaning of such expressions as objective reality: is likely to be crucial it is asked, for instance,

It is asked for instance, whether the concept of "objective reality" does itself have any objective reality; whether it refers to "scientific reality" which is problematical to philosophers and scientists alike; and whether it is a contractive and which is a contractive and whether it cept known to traditional sources of theological orthodoxy such as St Thomas Aguinas, At the same time problems in secular philosophy are likely to

The fetter to The Times comes after prorests oversess by other groups of theologians, but this is the light straight occurrental and fully representative gesture of its king. Signatories include its kind Signatories includ Roman Carholics Anglican Free Churchmen, and member of the Church of Scotland.

13 pc offer to Urgent talks on Labour clash

the county party, was the man who made public the decision of the Falmouth and Camborns general management committee stituency party. He said that earlier this year o disaffiliate from Transport House.

He said: "I am firmly of the opinion that the opposition which we have voiced over the influence the laft wing now has

tion of independence by the Palmouth and Comborne Labour Party has yet to be porters' views in this area.".

Mr Evans said: "I do not regard myself as left or right wing. In any case that has nothing to do with the situation

which has now developed in the Falmouth and Camborne effiliation from the national party because of its dislike of Mr Desmond Timmins, chair-

man of the Falmouth town branch of the party, said last right: "I am thoroughly disgusted at what has happened." night, however, at the way Arthur Osman writes from Birmingham: Mr Peter Tebbutt, the Labour candidate who lost the Falmouth and Camborne seat, and who lives ar Kings Norton, Birmingham, with his wife and three children, said yesterday he had asked the NEC

oberts vice chairman of of the Labour Pany to hold an my party, was the man inquiry juto the affairs of the ade public the decision Fainmuch and Camborne con-

an inquiry was sought into its financial structure but Trans-Michael Hatfield writes: Although the unilateral declara-

officially received by the national executive committee, there was no doubting last night that the party has been embarrassed by the events.

The Cornwall constituency perty has announced its dis-

its left-wing policies.

There was also doubt last

Falmouth general management committee reached its decision. There were suggestions that not everyone was present when the decision was taken and that it did not entirely reflect the views of the whole of the party.

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Mr Rodgers says left cannot go unchallenged

Continued from page 1

The real argument is about the Labour Party has believed power and policies and whether our party should remain a socialism, a creed of conscience broad coalition of democratic and reform rather than of class broad coalition of democratic haired, it had owed its inspirasocialists capable of winning an election and liaving a successful

wanted unity but on what terms and ar what price? He continued: "Compromise, yes,

It was not the long-standing loyalists on the right and centre of the party who were seeking to dragoon their colleagues into ideological conformity. It was not the vast majority of Labour voters, past and present, who asked that their MPs should be

come puppets on a string.

Mr Rodgers said that from

unionists, cooperators, non-con-formists and Christian socialists, nor to Marx and Lenin. period in government he said. Mr Rodgers said they all

does it enti and appearement ment of human freedom, begin."

haired. It had owed its inspira-tion to British radicals trade

"Its_enemies have been preand its objectives the spread of social justice and the enlarge-Mr Rodgers believes that though the left has captured the citadel of power in the

party, the national executive, they cannot expect to go unchallenged. Though they may appear to be winning, the left could find it had a Pyrrhic victory on its hands when traditory on its hands when tradi-tional Labour supporters start drifting away

on terrorist trials From Christopher Thomas A common agreement on

Beltast .

Nine reach

agreement

trial of terrorists throughout t European Community Countr has been drawn up by justi ministers of the member star and will be ratified at Dut Castle on Tuesday.

The agreement provides the trial of terrorist suspe in any country regardless where in the Community offences were committed. I is left to the discretion of e COURTEY.

The agreement comes at time when the Provisional I has managed largely to neulize the Irish Republic's m anti-terrorist legislation, Offences Against the State ! on the charge of belonging an illegal organization.

The IRA for years consister refused to recognize the cou which meant that defends would not plead and were sequently convicted. But m and more people accused IRA membership enter a r of not guilty because of incr ingly severe sentences.

Because the police can rai find witnesses the Special minal Court finds itself fa with a choice between the c flicting words of the defend and a senior police officer. tions has fallen sharply.

The new agreement adapted from the Europ adapted from Convention on the Suppres of Ferrorism, a pact on extr tion of terrorisms which Irish Republic refused to a and which had little chance success because countries wrote in

reservations. Ir was a Council of Eur agreement, covering countries, and as far as known it has never been t in the two years since it

The new deal, described as Belgian agreem brings the Community count into line with the princ ensirtined in the Criminal Jurisdiction Act, 1976, where was passed simultaneously the Westminster and Du Governments, providing trial on either side of border, regardless of where crime was committed.

It has never been t because of the difficulty getting prosecution withe Government sources in Du believe the British Governt bas conceded for the time b that extradition of terro from the republic is possible, and that the Act m now be tested. But the mea is unlikely ever to be a ser deterrent

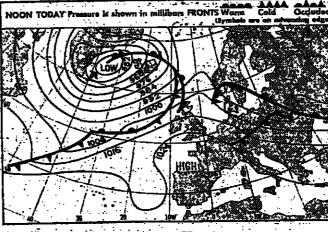
The Irish convention s that persons accused of poli crimes cannot be extrad and the courts have usuinterpreted IRA offences

The Dublin Governmen that it allows a relatively haven for terrorists. Mr Lynch, the Prime Minister, gone as far as he politi dare in cooperating with

Correction

The loss to pensioners from The loss to pensioners man change in the social security to bring national insurance into line with supplementary if scales will be 40p a week for the 17 th E40 a year as stated in The yesterday.

Weather forecast and recordings NOON TODAY

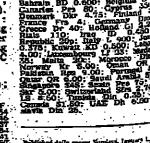




Full moon: Tomorrow. Lighting up: 4.25 pm to 7.16 and. High water: London Bridge, 12.14 am. 7.2m (23.5tr); 12.34 pm. High water: London Bridge, 22.14 pm, 22m (23.5ft); 12.34 pm, 7.0m (23.0ft). Avonmouth, 5.50 am, 12.8m (41.9ft); 6.16 pm, 6.6m (43.3ft); "Dover, 9.24 am, 6.6m (21.6ft); 9.55 pm, 6.6m (21.5ft), Hull, 4.28 am, 7.8m (24.0ft); 5.04 pm, 7.4m (24.2ft); Liyerpool, 9.54 am, 9.2m (30.2ft); 10.13 pm, 9.4m (30.8ft).

to 9°C (45° to 48°F).

Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glas-



Argyll, NW Scotland, but Scotland, 5 land: Sonny periods, st dying away, more general after dark; wind W backin

moderate or fresh; max 7° to 8°C (45° to 46°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and day: Rain spreading E tom followed by sunny interval showers, windy, normal ter the S, rather cold in the N.

London: Temp: max, 6
6 pm, 15°C (55°F); min,
to 6 am, 9°C (48°F). Humi
pm, 80 per cent. Rain, 2
6 pm, 0.02in. Sun, 24hr to
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1,000 millibars=29.53in.

Yesterday

Husband flaunted his transvestism, wife says Mrs Margaret Chapman told to beat the children if I

review, Mr Fowler said. A reduction of 400 had already Mrs Chapman, aged 32, said she was terrified because her husband, who was 6 ft 3 in tall been made, and 1,000 more were in view, saving a total of £7m a year primarily by shiftand 14 stones, had threatened to "cut her legs off" if she ever disclosed his perversion. Mrs Chapman, of Townley, Letchworth, Hertfordshire, and ing more of the car tax work to more convenient for the public. A campaign on licence tax Peter West aged 38, of Letchworth, her lover, deny murder-ing Mr Chapman, aged 33, last

evasion which some estimates put at £50m a year is to be launched in a few weeks in collaboration with the police, February.

The prosecution has said she Mr Fowler said.

There would be a series of actions in towns and cities, pos-sibly with the kind of advance gave her husband sleeping pills so that Mr West could beat him to death with a spade before dumping his body from a notice that has been shown to be useful in the case of telemotorway bridge to fake a

suicide. She said that once her husband wanted her to tie him up with an orange rope. "He was wearing female garments

Mrs Margaret Chapman 1010 to beat the cantren it I did.
a jury at St Albans Crown not do so and that time I did.
Court, Hertfordshire, yesterday how her husband Frederick flaunted his tranvestism at her.
She said that when he was a soldier he wore women's underHe would sav to the dag.

£80m to find

She said that when he was a soldier he wore women's underwear beneath his uniform and that one day she found him in her wedding dress.

Mrs Chapman, aged 32, said

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Mrs Chapman, aged 34, said

Mrs Chapman, aged 38, said His habits just got worse and worse and worse.

On the day her husband died

Mrs Chapman said, she saw him put on a corselette and two nightdresses, one apricot and the other blue. She gave him two sleeping tablets, say-ing they were anablotics for

recollected "standing in the bedroom and hitting my husband on the head with a garden spade. I hit him twice. I was not aiming at his bead. I was at the end of the line." She said Mr West said he would take the blame.

ing away as they realized the consequences. They know what they are doing will deepen Britain's economic recession", he added. Even those who continue to advocate these policies are now retreating from what they said at the election." The Government's religious

his sore throat.

Later, she saw him in bed.
She drank half a bottle of brandy and some whisky. She recollected "standing in the badeout and history a

He said in Birmingham take the blame. The trial, before Mr Justice Stocker, continues on Monday. "The present consensus is that we are in for a rough time. was wearing temale garments and I refused. He threatened

Powell attack on secret strike ballots that a general secret ballot between management

Mr Enoch Powell last night attacked the Conservatives plan for secret bailots among work forces before strikes.
Using the Leyland ballot on
the company's curback plans as
an example, Mr Powell spoke
of disastrous consequences for
industrial relations if such an extensive interview to The Times and The Guardian, with Press Association reporters also present. This restricted interview caused anger among the votes were widely used.

Mr Powell, the Official
Unionist MP for Down. South, Official said ballots take decisions from the hands of elected union leaders who can be identified

and held to account.

He told the Shropshire branch of the British Institute of Management at Shrewsbury and render genuine cooperation

came to a decision taken with labour impossible: for manage-out qualification and in abstractment would have no counter-

"There would be two consequences for industrial rela-tions, both of them disastrous, if the secret ballot were widely used, either by firms or through the pressures and inducements of Government, in order to appeal to the whole body of union membership over the heads of the duly constituted leadership at whatever level", Mr Powell said.

ment would have no counter-part which would take its own share of responsibility. A re-sponsible management would confront a, literally, irrespon-sible workforce." Responsibility should be firmly placed and kept on the

union leaderships at every level, Mr Powell said.
"The rank and file cannot discharge that responsibility, except through the due democratic processes of holding their own representatives accountable for the outcome", he

Top attraction unsold at

Christie's auction of Old Master paintings yesterday ran into some difficulties. The sale made £2,478,800 but with 28 per cent

Owner of icon in sale is not disclosed Mystery sucrounds a

around £15,000-£20,000.

mate owner".

Mr Stuart said the name of the owner at the time of the 1975 Moscow exhibition is recorded in that catalogue; but

auction of Old Masters By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent main autumn

unsold.
The star item, "Christ
Preaching on the Sea of
Gailiee" by Jan Brueghel the
Elder, was unsold at £140,000;
Jan Steen's "Hurdy-Gurdy
Player in the Courtment of 2

The big prices of the day were among the Italian and French pictures, rather than the and Flemish schools. Agnews paid £95,000 for Neroccio di Barrolomeo de' Landi's The Madonna Adoring Landi's "The Madonna Adoring the Child", an early Tuscan gold ground panel.

sale and is estimated to fetch

teenth century double-sided icon to be sold by Sotheby's double-sided

Mr John Stuart, Sotheby's icon expert, said yesterday that he was convinced that the person who had consigned the

he was not prepared to pass the name of the 1975 owner

There was a pair of Pater scenes of elegant company disporting themselves in attractive landscapes; "La Balancoire" went for £90,000 (estimate £50,000-£80,000) to

Gallerie Mullenmeister from West Germany and "A Fete Champetre" for £60,000 (esti-mate £60,000-£80,000) in Panil Rosenberg of New York: A
Lucas Cranach "Cupid Complaining to Venus" made
275,000 (estimate £70,000£100,000) and a Daniel Seghers flower still life made the same price (estimate £20,000 £30,000). At Sotheby's the relatively minor carpets and topestries on ofter were not sought after eagerly. The sale made £17,565 with 40 per cent unsold. The Continental furniture, however, was in strong demand with a total of £271,033

public education programme, the campaign organizers, the North Western Regional Health Authority and the Manchester Regional Committee for Cancer **BR** plans for Christmas British Rail said yesterday services will be thinned Some

in time.

that there will be no trains on Christmas Day except for will operate in Scotland on suburban routes. Eve services will end at 10 pm. Boxing Day service planned from mid-morning on most routes, except in East Anglia. Some services from Liverpool Street will be affected by staff refusing to work. On New Year's Eve, peak on.

limited services on Glasgow New Year's Day, except in the Glasgow suburbs.
In England and Wales, trains will operate from about 10 am on New Year's Day.
Although there will be no services on Christmas Day, all power supplies on electric con-ductors will remain switched

to write his story.

the questions.

Blunt had decided to answer questions because of approaches by many publishers asking him He added: " It will take at least several days to answer

Jan Steen's "Hurdy-Gurdy Player in the Courtyard of a Country Inn was also unsold at 570,000.

on Monday. It was exhibited at the Rubylev Museum in Mos-cow in 1975 and since then has found its way to the West, but not, it appears, through the official export agency. The double-sided processional icon is the star of Socileby's

Today

Full moon: December 3.

Lignung up : 4.25 pm to 7.14 am.

High water: London Bridge, 11.37
am, 6.8m (22.5ft). Avonmouth,
4.55 am 12.2m (39.9ft): 5.24 pm,
12.8m (41.9ft). Dover, 8.33 am,
6.4m (20.9ft): 9.07 pm, 6.4m
(20.9ft): Hull, 3.34 am, 7.0m
(23.1ft): 4.16 pm, 7.1m (23.4ft).
Liverpool, 9.06 am, 3.9m (23.1ft):
9.25 pm, 9.2m (30.1ft). temp 9° to 11° C (48° to 52°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Makely dry, sunuy periods; wind NW backing SW,

the Was a mough of low pressure over S areas moves away into France. A further trough will affect the NW later. Area forecasts :

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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c...

ME NEWS

and Todd utions ainst cuts science

rce Wright

Todd, president of the Society, gave a warning ght against mortgaging iture of the country ic research.

address to the society don which amounted to taking of national poli-science and technology. proposed fundamental in university education stgraduate research. aintained that the future ed more than many realized on technologies or, even worse, to them in the vain hope inuing to operate anti-technologies successs-

ould spell disaster for lustrialized country. od record of discovery past century was by a disappointing pertechnological on. Morale was low in universities, specially the younger members of

ademic research com-he said. Todd believed the argent action was called permanent damage was re done to research and miversity system. eal root of the trouble the misguided euphoria

1960s, which caused a 2 of the number of ties and great expan-student numbers. In 2ady days higher educas equated with univer-cation, he said. effect of the rapid was an increase in tenff by the recruitment of y young people. Todd said several awk-

ven painful, ouestions be answered. Were all ned academics capable class research? Should obtaining first or cond class degrees be sed and provided with serewithal to pursue to pursue c research?

answer to both quesust be no. he said. ere more institutions ; PhDs in physics in than in the United

encouraged, Lord ime when a significant s required to remain ive in the technological in, it was dangerous as foolish to cling to the the traditional type of y education should be lly applied for reasons

ombings, win damages

ged assault while in

ustody, it could pave

for a challenge to their

ins, the Court of Appeal

tephen Sedley, counsel of the six, said the ob-

legal action against the

ould be to secure dam-

assaults said to have

while in police custody

ile being interrogated

if it were successful,

! yesterday.



Mr Michael Munford, joint runner-up for the 1979 Shepherd of the Year Award, with his dog Ross joining their charges during a demonstration in Hyde Park, London, yesterday. winner was Mr Harry Hutchinson, of Marshaw Farm, near Abbeystead, Lancashire.

BBC rejects Heseltine charges of 'slap-happy journalism'

By Kenneth Gosting

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, has been taken to task by Mr Ian Trethowan, director-general of the BBC, for his widely publicized criticism last month of BBC television news coverage of the public expenditure cuts.

In reply to a reference by Mr Heseltine to "slap-happy selec-tive journalism", Mr Trethsays in a letter to the minister, released yesterday: "I think you grossly overstated your case and were highly selective in your own selection of facts."

Mr Trethowan goes on: "We accept without any reservation that it is important for the public to understand why the Government has embarked on its policies and not merely the manifestations of them. In your case you have had many oppor-tunities of doing so in our output and I am glad that you have taken them (twice in Today in the past few days). "Our staff are as conscious as any sector of the community of the gravity of the problems facing the country; our jour-nalists have a special responsi-

nages issue could reopen bombers' case

men, jailed for life for might be to reopen the whole that confessions by the six were 4 Birmingham public case and might lead to a petion to the Home Secretary.

Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Goff and Sir George Baker reserved their

judgment at the end of a hear-

ing in which West Midlands and

Lancashire police authorities appealed against a High Court

judge's refusal to strike out the damages claims being brought by the convicted bombers.

The police oppose the civil

damages claims on the ground that the allegations of assault

were investigated at the crimi-

nal trial, when the judge found

bility for reporting policy and reaction to policy, and they do so with more care and objectivity than you gave them credit for in your somewhat intemperate speech at Henley."

That is a reference to Mr Heselvine's speech on November 17 to which he drew attention in a letter to the BBC two days later. Mr Trethowen, who has been ill, has only now had the opportunity to reply.

points, the first that BBC tele-vision news devoted "much time and space" to a Lambeth protest against cuts in local government spending without putting the measures in per-Very little time was devoted

this event (in the nine o'clock News it was one minute 25 seconds) but it is true that the item did not go beyond the event itself. This was described as a major demonstration, organized by Lambeth but joined by unions in other councils in and ourside London, and planned as part of a national campaign. As such the event took its place among other news events of the day. Mr Trethowan adds; "If this ad been the very first news

The convicted men claim

there is fresh evidence to sup-port their allegations, which was not heard at the trial.

was not heard at the trial.

The six are: Patrick Joseph Hill.
aged 34, of Kilburn Road, Kingstanding; William Power, aged 33,
of Granwell Grove, Pype Hayes;
Bugh Daniel Callaghan, aged 48,
of Stanwell Grove, Erdington;
Noel Richard McHkenny, aged 35,
of Epsom Grove, Kingstanding;
John Walker, aged 43, of Enderby
Road, Kingstanding; and Robert
Gerald Hunter, aged 32, of Riley
Way, Kingstanding, all Birmingham.

of Government measures there would have been every reason for putting the protest in per-spective, but as you know perfectly well it was not.

A report on September 20 of a speech by Mr Heseltine at Scarborough which said there was general support among an interview with their chair-man, who approved of what he said, was the first item in the pm News.

Second, when Mr Heseltine announced the rate support ponse of the BBC had been to return to Lambeth—" the one authority", the minister said "that has publicly proclaimed its determination to follow policies that could only lead to economic disaster

That, Mr Trethowan wrote, was a "very misleading account" of what viewers saw on television news. It had begun at 9 pm with a local authorities' rates rise forecast; had spoken to Mr Heseltine, summarized Mr Roy Hattersley's response and spoken to a Lamberh councillor. Lambern's call on every Labour authority in the country to oppose the measures was of news interest.

British Gas is to seek approval for gas terminal From John Chartres

Manchester British Gas announced yesterday that it is about to apply for outline planning consent for a coastal reception terminal for natural gas from the recently discovered Moretambe Field off the Lancashire coast. The site is at Westfield Point, near Barrow-in-Furness, Cum-

The application covers an area of about 185 acres near the village of Rampside. Within for operational purposes. The remainder will contain underground pipe routes, to construc-

A long jump by Neasden for the 1988 **Olympics**

By John Young Planning Reporter
A suggestion that the 1988 Olympic Games should be staged in Neasden has emanated not, as might be supposed, from the pages of Private Eye, but from North London residents. The idea is not as bizarre as

assessment for the Wembley/

Neasden scheme with the most pessimistic for the docklands

It was not true to suggest that

It was not true to suggest that Sir Horace Cutler, the council leader, was determined that the games, if they came to London at all, should be in the docklands and nowhere else.

Brent Council, whose domain embraces Wembley and Neasden, is strongly in favour of holding the games in the borough but far from convinced that the sidings are suitable for

that the sidings are suitable for the Olympic village.

Mr Norman Mikardo, chair-man of its Wembley Stadium

plan coordinating committee, said that it had been hoped to acquire the site under the Com-munity Land Act. No decision

it sounds. A group calling itself the Amalgamated Wembley Residents' Association points out that, only a short distance from the international stadium, sports facilities and conference centre, there is a large tract of vacant British Rail land, the Neasden sidings, which would make an ideal site for an

Olympic village.
Holding the games at Wembley/Neasden would, the association claims, cost little more than half as much as staging them on a new site in the docklands, as the Greater London Council has proposed. Moreover, the GLC's feasibility study shows that the games could make a profit of f196m as against an expected loss of £346m.
The GLC replied yesterday that the association had contrasted the most optimistic Olympic village. in residential areas.

Opening hours in tourist areas could suit the season's demand. It would be of value in areas

trasted the most optimistic tion that that was wrong or harmful. Why was it so much worse to take them into specified rooms.

drinking.
Str Bernard Braine (South-East Essex, C) said, that under the

Consultations

on drink

and driving

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office (Aylesbury, C), said it was estimated that in

1977 there were some 750,000 alcoholics in the United Kingdom. an increase of more than a third over the figure 10 years ago. There was substantial ground for concern at the extent of alco-

holism.

Over the past 10 years there had been a marked increase in offences of drunkenness and it was disturbing that the highest increase by far was among males in the 18-21 age group. Under age drinking continued to give rise to serious concern.

Drinking and driving remained a serious broblem. It was a factor

The Government the said) feet it would at present be unwise to move towards any general reform of the licensing laws but it does not intend to oppose this Bill. MPs stould make up their own minds. It seemed that the Bill was more concerned with providing greater flexibility in permitted hours than continuing public concern over the case. Mr Field appeared to be osting for an inquiry not too the death of Paul Brown, but into the behaviour of certain officers

evidence now coming to the fore. Mr David Hunt (Wirral, C) said that the Leader of the Council had asked hun to endorse on his behalf the local authority's determination to seek the truth and give the minister its fullest cooperation in bringing the matter to an early conclusion. Some form of statutory inquiry could be the only satisfactory conclusion to this track case. The minister should not put it off. leng after the boy had died.

No one who had read the details could be happy about the missing document. No one with a concern for the welfare of children could fail to be concerned at the implications.

He had, therefore, decided it would be wrong for him to take no further action and he would like to initiate a proper inquiry. In deciding what form of inquiry was appropriate he took note of what had been suggested in the report following the second inquiry about statutory powers under the Children Act existing for such an investigation.

But there were other legal news of the soope of the Secretary of State's powers under that The report of the first inquiry had made clear that its members had not seen a document, a memorandum which was said to have reported unfavourably on the fitness of the foster parants.

tary of State's powers under that Act. In the light of what had been said and of continuing unease in the Wirral, he would seek urgent clarification of the precise powers of the Secretary of State in a matter of this kind. He proposed to discuss the matter with the authority and the Secretary of State with a view to reversing the

Babes in the bars Bill fails

PARLIAMENT, November 30, 1979_____

Previous decision reversed: an

inquiry into events after death of

boy from neglect: missing report

Sir George Young, Under Secretary for Health and Social Security (Ealing, Acton, C1 said that this was a terrible case where a child died as a result of neglect by foster parents. They must do everything in their power to see that such a case did not occur again in the Wirtal or elsewhere.

Although two councillors had reported seeing the document in the room where the first inquiry had been held, every person interviewed in the social services department, including the officer said to have been the author of the document, had denied its

He was deeply concerned about

The Licensing Etc (Amendment)
Bill which would have allowed
for flexible opening hours of
public houses and clubs between
10 am and 11.30 pm failed to
make progress after an all-day
debate. The Bill would also have permitted licensing manistrates to make orders allowing children under 14 to be admitted to speci-fied bars in licensed premises.

An inquiry into events following the death of a four-year-old boy. Paul Brown, is to be ordered by the Secretary of State for Social Services. Sir George Young, Under Secretary for Health and Social Security, said he was considering what form the inquiry would take.

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The case was raised in an adjournment debate by Mr Frank Field (Birkenhead, Lab) who outlined the events leading up to the death in bospital of Paul Brown and a local inquiry which followed. He said a subsequent inquiry recommended that Wirral Council want to ask the Sections.

He said a subsequent inquiry recommended that Wirral Council would want to ask the Secretary of State for Social Services (Mr Patrick Jenkin) to institute a committee of inquiry under the Children Act 1975 into the question of whether the original incury had been misled.

The former Minister of State for Health (Mr Roland Moyle), after an interview with representatives of the local authority, had refused to order an inquiry and he had recently told him (Mr Field) that he recalled that his most dominant thought in refusing it was that he had hoped the issue would die down and go away.

It obviously had not. The Mayor of Wirral wished to present evidence to the minister. An inquiry chould he set up to wiver new

In a division on the closure of the debate, the motion was carried by 68 votes to 14 but as fewer than 100 MPs had voted for the majority, the debate on the Bill was adjourned.

Sir Nicholas Bonsor (Nantwich, C), the sponsor of the Bill, said it dealt with the archaic practice whereby pareuts either had to forego their parents either had to forego their own entertainment or, as he feared was more often the case, leave their children outside public houses, on their own and unguarded. Most public houses in country areas had no family rooms which could be used by parents and children for lunch under present law.

present law.

There would be two safeguards on flexible hours. They would be limited to the same maximum as at present. 9! hours, with the exception of Sunday, where there was a marginal increase, involved. On late night opening, magistrates would have the discretion to order earlier closing rather than later if there was a nuisance in residential areas.

It would be of value in areas where there were a lot of shift workers.

Visitors to Britain were staggered by the old-fashioned and archake laws on this matter. It was nonsense to talk of harm being done to children by this. Children were already allowed in clubs and be had not heard a simple suggesthe had not heard a single sugges-

thosen by licensees and vetted by chosen by licensees and vetted by licensing magistrates?
Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) said alcohol in excess was gravely injurious to the health of the person who consumed it.

This proposed legislation would worsen street violence, crimes of riolence, wife hattering and the effect on children of grown-ups deinking.

Bill. an individual would be able to indulge in almost continuous drinking from 10 am until midnight, and children under 14 years would be allowed in bars up to closing time, provided they came in with someone aged 18 or over. This latter proposal was obnoxious. For the first time, it would be possible for a woman to go into a bar with a child in her arms, or for children under 14 to get some callow youth of 18 to take them into a har and then leave them to their own devices. Such an appaling proposal was rejected by the overwhelming number of licencees who were responsible people.

Never before the said has any

Never before (he said) has any MP proposed the bringing of babes into bars. We are firmly convinced that the bringing of children under 14 into bars will produce recruits for the evergrowing army of under-age drinkers.

a serious problem. It was a factor in some 1,200 road deaths each year. One in three of all drivers killed to road accidents was found to be one the lead Keris and it. night this figure rose to two in three. He did not claim that the Bill would necessarily exacerbate those problems.

extending them to any degree.

The most controversial part of
the Bill was the clause which
would empower licensing justices

State for Foreign and Common-

wealth Affairs, in a written reply,

wealth Affairs, in a written reply, said: In the last complete financial year, 1978-79, the cost to public funds of educating children of members of the Diplomatic Service was: boarding school allowance, £3,790,371; day school fees for children in posts overseas, £623,518; total, £4,413,889.

Of this sum, approximately £860,000 will have been recovered by the Inland Revenue on board-

ing school allowance, which is taxable when paid to officers serv-ing at home.

Mr Hurd, in another reply, said: In the last complete financial year, 1978-79, the cost to public

Children of diplomats

Mr Douglas Hurd. Minister of made by Diplomana Service chil-

to make an order, known as a children's accommodation order, allowing persons under 14 accompanied by an adult to be in the bar or on the licensed premises referred to in the order.

The clause did not specify any relationship between adult and child. There was a possibility that a child might stand at the entranct to the premises and succeed in

It could be seen as a sensible It could be seen as a sensible way to introduce children to an environment in which moderate drinking took place on approved premises. On the other hand, it might be argued that this was far too early an age to expose children to such an environment whatever the conditions under which the drinking took place.

drinking took place.

Mr George Cunningham, an Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Islington, South and Finsbury, Lab), said admittediv it was irritating that people could drink with their children in the garden of a pub but might not go inside. There was an anomaly in present practice which it would be nice to get rid of. The question was whether the extra convenience of permitting children to enter pubs was sufficient in justify the nuisance and more importantly the danger of permitting them there.

Mr James Pawsey (Rughy, C) said Mr James Pawsey (Rughy, C) said the Bill seemed innocuous at first sight, a tidying-up family measure. If one of its main aims was to help tourism, this would be non-sense. Licensing hours should not be declared to help tourisms. he designed to help visitors. Mr Guy Expett (Greenwich, Lah) said there were dangerous conse-quences liable to arise on drunken driving. If there were a series of public houses able to operate flexible hours, opening and closing at different times, the Bill could well become a pub-crawlers' charter.

Mr Robert Alkins (Preston, North, C). a sponsor of the Bill, said most sensible people realized that the situation in relation to Leensthe situation in relation to Ecensing laws was ridiculous.

Mr Edward Garrett (Walisend, Lab) and there were 56 million people in the United Kingdom and they were getting tired of being preached at by the disciples of General Booth. They would just like to be left alone to operate with a reasonable society on their own pleasures and pursuits.

dren to join their parents in pest overseas was 1790,000 approxi-

It is not possible without incur-

ring disproportionate cost to identify the separate cost of other journeys, such as those made at public expense by children of Diplomatic Service staff travelling

with their parents.

Old RAF aircraft

CA's ffensive?

h Clayton

nplaint by the Royal for Prevention of to Animals about a new ent welfare body was inaccurate and offen-peter Walker, Minister culture, Fisheries and tid yesterday. as commenting on a

it from the society de-the narrow vote by its ig council to prevent its staff from serving new body. It is to be he Farm Animal Wel-uncil, and Mr Walker ued the invitations in RSPCA said that many

s of the committee nvolved in activities the society opposed. export of live animals a committee will be ed by its majority, and ghly unlikely that the endations to the ministralic the wishes of CA."

committee would be ted by powerful interest the society went on PCA's council is not pre-to allow the society's eputation to be used as wash which would perjelty and unacceptable is to continue." valker retorted that "it

y inaccurate and offen-a dedicated body of o portray them as being od by powerful interest statement from the is the latest sign of a ne split which has been to a head by the bu-

intested decision to for-

ff members to join the

or eisteddiod

nent body.

ays Eank is to contri-5.000 towards the Royal I Eisteddfod over the years, and the Hodge and Tesco will sponsor leddlod's evening con-

Governors disappointed by prison service report

Home Affairs Correspondent Prison governors would refuse to go on for the next 25 years with inadequare buildings and too many prisoners, Mr Breudan O'Friel, chairman of the governors' branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, said

He sold a conference at Central Hall, Westminster, called by the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders to discuss the May committee inquiry into the prison service that governors were relatively disappointed in its report. Some of his colleagues would "go a great deal stronger than that", he said. Next week the Prison Officers'

when calls for industrial action are expected. In reply to a parliamentary question on November 1, Mr William Whitelaw, the Home

Association holds a conference

Secretary, said that during the year there had been industrial action in 39 prisons.

Mr Dennis Trevelyan, direc-tor-general of the prison service, said yesterday in reply to a question about the effect of industrial action: "Of course, I entirely deplore the disruption of courts or anything that might look like victimization. You are asking the prison officer to be a trade union ensuch. It is not easy to ask that if he has a genuine grievance."

Mr. Justice May chairman of the inquiry, said that some prisons would have to close over the next 10 years because they would become unmhabit-able on the 24-hour-day, 365-day-year, basis on which they must be run.

The May committee's recom-mendation to double spending on prison building would cost £50m a year, less than 3 per cent of the law-and-order vote-for England and Wales.

as to its future use had been taken, but a specially commissioned survey had recommended a freight terminal, warehousing, a supermarket and tion areas for contractors, space for landscaping and for an open space.

By Our Agriculture -Correspondent

Farmers yesterday abandoned appeals to the Government to retained in the "lamb war" by france in the lamb war by hanning imports of cheap french apples. They asked in-stead for aid to help them re-juvenate old orchards and thus

of any variety, especially Golden Delicious from France. Mr Malcolm Withnall, a director of Framptons Nurseries, of Chichester, said: "Give the French

eries and Food, about aid for digging up old trees, planting new ones, and building juice-

He refused to say how much the union had asked the minister to pay. "I feel that he will have to make representations to the Cabinet", Mr Freuch said. Mr Walker cautiously pledged that the walker cautiously pledged that we have for the capture of the capture of

About a third of British orchards are more than 24 years old, compared with about a tenth in France. Old orchards produce smaller fruit. Mr Gerald Secrett, director of horticulture at the NFU, said:
"Some of those which will be grubbed up may never return to apple production. The cost of replacing trees will be about £1,800 an acre.

Government aid sought in rejuvenating orchards

grow larger fruit.

A grower in West Sussex offered 20 Cox apples to children who brought him 20 cores

the pip".

Mr Jack French, chairman of the apple and pear committee of the National Farmers' Union, mer Mr Peter Walker,

Minister of Agriculture, Fish-

extraction factories.

"as much Government encour-agement as possible ".

Mr Anthony Bezumont-Dark (Birmingham, Selly Oak, C) asked whether the Minister of Transport had any plans to bring forward legislation to provide for random breath-tests for motorists; and what consultations he had had with motoring organizations on this matter. Mr Norman Fowler, Minister of Transport, in a written reply, said—I shall soon be publishing a consultation paper on drive and driving with a view to legislation. I will wish to consider an up-to-date expression of views on discretionary testing, including of course those of the motoring organisations, before I come to a final decision. Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Under Secretary of Defence for the RAF, in a written reply said that at the end of 1979, 356 of the RAF's present effective aircraft strength would be over 20 years old and the oldest would be 32 years old. year, 1978-79, the cost to public funds of unaccompanied journeys Barclaycard Interest Rate

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Weather caused divers' deaths, sheriff says suggested that complying with in failing to foresee the speed them was uppermost to the detriment of thinking for themmoved from the diving bell because it interfered with the ship's dynamic positioning, and Aberdeen

Precautions for the safety of

North Sea divers were recommended yesterday after a four-day inquiry at Aberdeen Sheriff Court into the deaths of two divers. Sheriff William Murdoch said

that some of the evidence had given him cause for concern. Mr Gerard Prangley, aged 28, of Stanmore, Middlesex, and Mr Michael Ward, aged 25, of Southampton, died despite a 13hour rescue attempt after their diving bell plunged 280ft to the scabed when its lift wire, umbilical lifeline and guide wires were severed at the Beryl Alpha platform site 185 miles

north-east of Aberdeen last Nov-He also found that the ship's In his findings Sheriff Murmovement and the diving bell not being raised in time were caused by an error of Judgment doch said that certain witnesses said that things had been done on the part of the ship's master according to regulations which

selves or applying common

"I trust that my impression was wrong because in this highly dangerous and very technological work in which new hazards it to be quickly located if separated from the mother ship; and that diving-bell weights should be able to be must continually arise, no amount of regulations can foresee and cover every conting-ency", he said. Sheriff Murdoch found that

the accident was caused by wind moving the mother ship Star Canopus across a mooring chain of a semi-submersible, severing the wires to the diving bell, and that the dynamic positioning method was not sufficiently powerful to keep the ship on

bell, and that there should be strict regulations governing dynamic positioning. Diving bells should be modified so that divers could escape if a bell was resting on the seabed.

The inquiry had been told that a "pinger", a directional aignailing device, had been re-

infer any failure in duty on his Murdach recommended that some system should be devised and always fitted to a diving bell allowing

rise to the surface. released without that happen-ing accidentally or the divers Yesterday Commander Jack having to leave the bell He added that research should continue into providing emergency heating in a diving

secondary locking pins tor weights were on the outside of the diving bell as a safety measure after earlier incidents in the North Sea when weights were accidentally released, shooting bells to the surface. The two divers trapped in side the diving bell were unable to release the locking pins and

Warner, senior diving inspector for the Department of Energy said some of the points raised by the sheriff such as the pinger", and dynamic posi-tioning would be covered in guidelines about to be issued. Research is expected to produce a system of emergency hearing for diving bells, and the industry and the department were working together on the question of weight release.

Emergency

plan to cut

city smog

From Harry Dobelius

Madrid, Nov 30

Spanish authorities bays oce

pared smog emergency plans for the tountry's three began industrial cines where air polluion has built up to dangerous fevels.

The cines Madrid, Barce

lone and Bitheo-have been suffering from an increasing

concentration of both smoke and analydrous sudding for several days as cold, dry weather persisted with no wind.

Valencia may also be danger-ously polluted, but Valencia

amounts of noxious elements in

Spanish law are about twice as light as in industrialized coun-

Woman gets

Swearing and struggling furi-ously with her guards, Angelika Speitel, aged 27, one of West Germany's leading terrorists, was sentenced to life imprison-ment twice over in a Dusseldorf court today.

She was found guilty of the

murder of a young policeman and the attempted murder of

another when she and two com-

panions opened fire with dum-

her guards as they tried to keep

Not long before the verdict

was read out, a hand-grenade with a time device was found

by police under a car belong-ing to a justice official near

the law courts. It was defused

to be a particularly active mem-ber of the Baader-Meinhof terrorist gang. The federal pro-

secutor's office is still investigating her alleged part in the

murders of Dr Siegfried Buback, former federal prose

cutor, Dr Jürgen Ponto, the Dresdner Bank chief, and the

kidnapping and murder of Dr Hanns Marrin Schleyer, presi-dent of the industrialists' organization.

Sardines dumped

The court found Frau Speitel

her still. Earlier in the trial sho

life term for

terrorism

From Our Own

Correspondent Bonn, Nov 30

court todav.

tries elsewhere in Europe.

sts suspect the air in

service to monitor the

Spain's

WEST EUROPE

The Pope ends visit to Turkey with Orthodox support for pursuing path of Christian unity

From Peter Nichols

The Pope left for Rome tonight with the ecumenical success he had so eagerly sought at the end of a journey which he described as more important than any other he had under-

The high point of his ecumenical exchanges came this morning when he went to the Eastern Orthodox Patriarch's Church of St George in Istanbul for the annual communion service in honour of St Andrew. The Pope followed the service from an improvised throne opposite the Patriarch's own ceremonial

Both men made speeches and amidst applause, exchanged gifts and kisses of peace.
The atmosphere was hardly that of a great event. The Pope was brought to the church doors by heavily avend Turkish by heavily armed Turkish sol-diers. Uniformed soldiers with guns guarded the interior of the church as well as all the rather run-down surrounding area.
Several security guards in neat
lounge suits, with machine guns
over their arms sat close to

the papal throne. The Patriarch of Constantin-ople's following is known to be small, but the attendance in the litrle church on the Istanbul waterfront hardly did justice to what was claimed to be a

Soviet bar

on reporters'

free access'

Paris, Nov 30

From Our Own Correspondent

The Soviet Union was the

only objector to an essential

clause in an agreement prepared by a 16-nation commission looking at communications

problems in the world, the final session of which ended in Paris

The clause which says that all journalists should have the

right of access to opposition sources was passed by the other 15 countries but Mr Sergei

Losev, the Soviet delegate, and director of the Tass news

agency, voted against it. He told Mr Sean MacBride,

the chairman of the commis-sion, that he would now have to rethink his country's further participation within the com-

The commission has been

meetings for two years. In its

final statement it says that indi

vidual members have until

selves from the report which

last November's agreement

and the Soviet block about the

control of information.

The working of that agreement, carried with reserved

acclamation a year ago, owed a

great deal to Mr Mustapha Masmoudi, the Tunisian dele-

gate, who was able to sew to-

Wartime poison found

War skin poison hurriedly hidden before Allied troops occupied the village of Schieri-

plete agreement.

Mr showed

January 5 to dissociate them

the Orthodox world.

After the service the Pope flew to Izmir and then went by helicopter to Ephesus, a city not only closely associated with St Paul but reputed to have been the place where Mary spent her last vears.

The principal step of prac-tical value which the Pope and Patriarch Dimitrios announced today was agreement to set up a joint commission to study theological differences between the two churches. This move, long planned, has taken time because of the difficulties of bringing together full represen-tation of the whole world of Eastern Orthodoxy. That has

now been achieved. The commission, which is expected to hold its first meeting early next year, will consist of 25 to 30 representatives from lic Church.
The Pope has no illusions

about the rapidity with which full communion can be restored between Christianity's two Chur greatest forces. He hoped that marc by the end of the century this all." would have come about.

The paradox of the ceremony today is that the Patriarch of Constantinople, successor of the meeting of great importance for the whole of humanity.

Apart from journalists and indeed. But he retains a form most specially invited guests, there of primacy of honour among energy and the special primacy of honour among the special primacy and the special primacy of honour among energy and the special primacy of honour among energy and the special primacy and the special were little more than a hun-dred ordinary worshippers. Yet churches making up Orthodoxy.

can turn.

mild, greybearded, bespectacled man, modest in manner despite the sumptuous vestments he wears, but he outdid the Pope in the dramatic nature of his

They were working, he said this morning, for unity and for peace "at a critical hour for the history of mankind, an hour in which the person and the spirit of evil, Lucifer, is tempting humanity beyond its strength": He feared "a return to the

epoch of religious fanaticism, of wars of religion, of selffaith, and always carried out in the name of God". This passage was seen to be largely addressed to the Muslim world.

The Pope insisted on the broader significance to be number from the Roman Catho- attached to his stay in Turkey. "This visit to the primary see of the Orthodox Church clearly shows" he told the Patriarch, "the will of the whole Catholic Church Church to go ahead in the march towards the unity of

> Enhesus: During his pilgrimage to the house of the Virgin Mary near Ephesus, the Pope gave a formal pledge "at the feet of her who is our common mother" to pursue with all his energy the road leading to the perfect unity of all Christians. He was addressing a mixed crowd of foreigners in the

schism in the eleventh century kept by the Turkish Govern Although he landed by heli-and it was the feast day of a ment, he is the one Orthodox copter within the archaeologi-particularly revered patron of interlocutor to whom the Pope cal site at Ephesus, the Pope an turn. spent no time touring the im-Patriarch Dimitrios I is a pressive remains of the city that was dedicated to the pagen goddess Arremis.

Instead he was driven up the steep slopes of Mount Pion to the shrine that the Turks call "Meryemana", probably from the Greek for "Mother Mary".

Security was extremely tight. Gendarmerie sharp-shooters lined the road and re deployed on the slopes of the mountain, finger on the trigger, so much so that when of the men tripped and fell, from the papal party, rwo or three shots were released causing a little anxiety.

Businads of Americans serv ing with Nato in Izmir were brought in with their families, to watch the ceremony. A group of Poles, who are setting up a power plant in south western Turkey, waved Polish flags and chanted "Stolat, stolat" (Live a hundred years), as the Pope emerged after praying at the house of Marri house of Mary.

The outdoor Roman Catholic service was conducted in Lacin and Turkish. After his homily, the Pope greered the congrega-tion in Polish. English and Italian. He was almost mobbed when he moved near the altar to administer Holy Communion to some 50 or 60 people.

Earlier the Pope visited the archaeological museum of Selcuk, the modern village of Ephesus. Here the mayor pre-sented him with copies of the Leading article, page 13.

a Pope was present at an Norwithstanding the modesty crowd of foreigners in t Orthodox eucharistic celebration of his present circumstances, course of an outdoor litur for the first time since the and the control in which he is held just outside the shrine. Koran in English and in French.

When Irish fought for France: M Jacques Dupuis, the French Ambassador to Ireland, yesterday showing President Giscard d'Estaing replicas of colours of Irish regiments which served France at the battle of Fontenoy in 1745. The French army under Marshal Saxe defeated the Anglo-Hanoverian army, commanded by the Duke of Cumberland. The colours are in the Most Holy Trinity church in Dublin C stie:

is now being prepared for presentation to M Amadour M'bow, the Unesco Secretary-The report was a key factor legality to abortion

tion was illegal.

at the Paris Unesco conference on a form of words acceptable Paris, Nov 30

In the tace of opposition from the majority of members of the Government coalition parties, the French National Assembly today passed a law making abortion permanently legal in France. The law, which had been hotly debated for three days, was adopted by 271 votes to 201.

gether the differences of the In its terms the law differ except in detail from the one passed for a five-year trial period in 1975. Again it needed the full support of the Socialists and Communists plus vote which carried the law, nevertheless failed to carry their principal amendment makthree parties to create a com-Masmoudi, however, his disappointment about the way in which the report was being put together by walking out of yesterday's seswere 45 of these from among the 121 Giscardians of the Regensburg, Bavaria, Nov 30. Union pour la Démocratie —Salvage workers dug up 200 vials containing a Second World Française and 24 of the 154

Gaullists.

The vote showed that despite a strong campaign mounted by the Roman Catholic Church and by the Gaullist Rassemble- consent is required for minors.

for Basque ment, the Assembly as a whole felt that the reality of the

not return to a time when abor-The debate, originally due to last two days, was prolonged in large measure by a rearguard action of members who must have realized that they had no chance of preventing the law being passed. There were 69 Spanish Parhament today.

opposition.

they can be sent to King Jush Carlos, whose signature will make them law. Before the voting, Government negotiators met behind closed doors with representa-tives of the PNV in order to

hospital Parental The Basques wanted, and apparently got, a promise that a future referendum on the question of whether to incorporate the northern province of Navarra in the Basque com-try will be held simultaneously in Navarra and in the three provinces which form part of

the Basque Nationalist Party (PNV) and the Government cleared the way for the smooth tion of the Basque Home Rule Bill in the lower house of the

head off a threatened boycott ratification vote by Rasmue MPs

the Basque region— Guipuzcoa and Vizcaya,

OVERSEAS-

Iran to boycott debate Mr Smith at United Nations on American conflict

iran's Foreign Whister announced this attention that he
would not attend, nonprrow's
meeting of the Shited Marions
Security Council There was no
room for negotiation over the 49 American hostages still held af the United States Embassy in Tehran because Iran was still demanding the extradition of the deposed Shah he said. It was empetted that Mr Sadeq Corbsaden, who was appointed Foreign Minister two days ago, would refuse to strend the meeting. He had been given the Foreign Ministry portfolio in succession to Mr Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, who

he air. Monitoring devices showed originally intended to travel to originally intended to travel to New York to address the Security Council.

Ayaroliah Khomeini, the Iranian religious leader, and the students occupying the United States Embassy, have both denounced the Security Council as an American created. monitoring devices solvent that smoke and amydrous sulphur were at levels above those authorized by law at several points in each of the three affected cities. The national radio network reported that Madrid hospitals had admitted in the host few days a greater. in the past few days a greater number than usual of patients with respiratory complaints. The "Phase I Emergency Measures", which provincial Council as an American-created-institution which was used "to oppress the poor.

Iran will keep in touch with
United Nations officials but Mr.

Quolizaden repeated his roun-

governors are to put into, effect in the polluted cities by tomorrow unless conditions improve, involve banning most traffic from heavily contami-Octobacion repeated in total in second commission of jurists to investigate the Shahir crimes. It seems therefore that for the moment President Carter cannot hope for a nated areas and restricting the use of central heating systems, use of central heating systems, both public and private, to between 12 noon and 10 pm.

In Madrid the municipal authorities said they would back the measures with a drive against unauthorized parking in dialogue with Iran inside the Security Council. Security Council.
Meeting goes on The Security
Council will discuss the Iranian
situation tomorrow despite.
Iran's decision to boycott the meeting, a United Nations spokesman said in New York.

American officials said they were disappointed by the the city centre, in order to dis-courage the use of private cars. The authorities tried to play down the importance of the poliution in public statements and said that improvement was expected with a change in the weather. However, the weather bureau offered no hope of any American permanent represen-tative at the United Nations, said his Government hoped the

change for the next two days Ecologists said the tolerable

In the days that followed the February revolution, the vil-lagers of Kabak not only took over their landlord's fields. They swarmed into the Govern-ment-owned Omran orchard, to the south of their village, and claimed that the apple nees

There was a period of a few weeks when their occupation did indeed give them de facto ownership of the land. Then a couple of officials from the Revolutionary Committee 10 miles down the road in Takestan came driving into Kahak and told the villagers to leave the orchard.

them at shooting practice in a wood near Düsselderf last year A companion, Michael Knoll, was shot dead in the gunfight and a third, unidentified terrorist escaped. Fran Speitel "I don't want to hear that crap, you idiot swine," she shricked as the judge read out the verdict, kicking and bring

villagers moved in but then we were told by the new authorities that our farmers would destroy had thrown tomatoes at the the apples since they did not know how to grow trees. New

Kahak's financial balance sheet is a complex but intriguing indicator of the distaste which most villagers seem to have felt towards the Shah. A shepherd or even a farmer-here earns only £350 a year.

to whom he was referring but added. The question is whether those persons there have any effective say in the Meagwhile, the State Depar ment has ordered American

embassies in about ten Muslem countries to send home non-essential diplomats, embassy dependents and private Ameri-can businessmen on a voluntary basis to lessen the risk in the event of further anti-American demonstrations.

The department would not identify the chantries involved

identify the countries involved until the evacuations were finished and would not say how many people would be with drawn.

The International Court of Justice said today in a message to the United Nations Secretary Selferal specific intended to meet on Department 10 to consider a United States request that the court order Iraa to release the American hostages in Tebran-Rener.

Report of move: The Muslim militaries said they would neither confirm nor deay persistent reports that all or

"heither confirm nor deay" yersistent reports that all or some of the hostages had been taken out of the embassy compound for undisclessed confinement goods, possibly a prison and suburban homes? "We will not confirm nor deny that the hostages, whether some or all of them, have been moved outside"; a spokesman said by telephone. But we deny completely that they have been mistreated or anything has heen mistreated or anything has been done to them."

were insappointed by the been able to them.

Reports that some were Mr Donald McHenry, the moved to Tehran's political American permanent represent prison, the Evin, "are also untarive at the United Nations, true We deny that anyone has said his Government hoped the been moved to Evin."—UPI.

accused of 'secret deal with Front

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, Nov 30 Mr Ian Smith, the former Rhodesian Prime Minister, was accused today of making a secret deal with Mr Joshua Nkorto, joint leader of the Patriotic Front.

Mr Christopher Sakala, the publicity secretary of the United African National Council, claimed the partnership had been revealed by "the unfolding climate of goodwill between the Patriotic Front and Mr Ian Smith". Mr Sakala added: "This deal means disaster for an independent Zimbabwe."

Mr Smith was not available for comment Rumonus of Mr

for comment. Rumours of Mr Smith having visited Mr Nkomo frequently at his notel while in London for the Lancaster House talks have been circulating in political circles here for some

rime.
Some weeks ago Mr Smith said he believed the Patriotic Front could win the forthcoming general election, a remark which alarmed many whites here. Although he is no longer considered the spokesman for the majority of the country's 230,000 whites, his opinions saill carry weight. Both Mr Smith and Mr Nkomo are from the south of the country and used to refer to each other jokingly to refer to each other jokingly as "fellow Mataboles". If Mr Smith is nudging closer to Mr Nkomo it could be because he respects the latter's inherent leadership qualities. He has no time for Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the Prime Minister, whom he considers ineffectual. He insulted him earlier this week by walking out of the House of Assembly just before the bishop rose to open the debate on the proposed indedecare on the pendence constitution. The pre-vious night the bishop had, vious night the bishop had, surprisingly, criticized Mr Smith during a radio and tele-

This is the second of three articles on rural Iran

Villagers of Kahak pin their hope on industrial agriculture The Mullah understands the

Kahak Iran, Nov 30

Shaikh Ibrahim Zaude, Kahek's mullah, regards the orchard with mixed feelings. "It was owned by the Shah's Government but we got nothing has paid any attention to us in from it," he says. After the revolution, the

the new Government controls the Omran orchard, aithough they give its lots of apples and the villagers share in the pro-fits. Thanks be to God."

Broken by poverty, more than school in the next vikiage, and 200 men out of the village's, four of them, the youngest aged population of 950 went off to eight have been killed by work in the town of Qasvin, 22 lornies on the road in the past miles to the north, where isc-

boxes and tyres had been erec ted as part of the Shah's drive for industrialization. The factory workers did not share the Shan's desire to push Iran into the year 2,000 shead

of time, even though their wages averaged about £1,200 A few have drafted back to the village since the revolution and, the firmers win here stayed are demanding that their lands now be treated with the same priority that the Imperial

Government once applied to Mr Azize Mahmoudi the village headman; has told rha local Revolutionary Committee what he wants. "If the Government can improve this village ". to go away and work in the factories. We want industrial

agriculture. We want a doctor in the village. We want health insurance and another school." Kahak has been supplied with mains electricity and fresh piped water for over five years now, although there are no telephones no shops, no proper sewage system, no medical supplies, no medical and as every villager will tell you, gesturing in contempt nowards the dirt track behind the chicken tun—there is no road.

Miny of the children beve to
walk six miles, each way to
school in the next village, and

TWO YESTS.

the people can raise £300 to-wards the cost. A farmer has applied for official permission to sink a new well for irrigation in the parched fields, where the grape bushes are twisted and stimted. But Shaikh Drahim has his own enthusiasins.

"In the last regime," he says, "we had no chance of saying

villagers' demands. The new Government has offered to complete the building of a com-munal bathbouse in Kabak if

what we thought. We had no real freedom. I hope the Goveriment helps these people because they are religious and they go to mosques. They de-

serve a better life.

Now at last I can tell the people how they have been exploited by the Shah. I have heen in this village, teaching the people for 10 days now— and I have achieved more in that time than in the past 10 years. Now I can tell these people how to feel free. The present authorities are quite different from the past."

Shaikh Ibrahim says that he has taken a cut in selary to

has taken a cut in salary to help the villagers but he finds it difficult to explain why the people of Kahak should place such high hopes in the economy. It is true that tractors are now being shared out among far-mers by the Government and

ment development authority have visited the village.

But then he adds, almost as an afterthought: "That farmer who is waiting to saik his well—he is a pilgrim and a good man. Please mention him in your paper because he is still waiting for permission."

Schmidt party's nuclear dilemma

Bonn, Nov 30

One of the biggest questions perplexing West German society will be thrashed out at the Social Democratic Party Congress in West Berlin next week; whether, and to what extent, the country should allow nuclear-produced energy. The importance of the debate lies not so much in who will win it, for the outcome is vir-

tually certain.

More significantly, it will bring up many of West Germany's problems today: What values should guide the country can the established political parties, and particularly a Government party, really reflect changes in society and, more immediately, will the Social Democrats policy win them the elections?

to challenge Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's view that a certain amount of nuclear energy, probably more than at present, is essential to cover increasing needs, keep the economy thriving and thus maintain political

stability.

They will call instead for a step-by-step reduction of the country's reliance on nuclear energy, which accounts for about 10 per cent of total consumption. They want to see less use of energy which they believe can be achieved by economy programmes.

The left-wing members know they have no chance of pushing their views through. The Chancellor has stated that if the party goes against him he will. ither resign or govern against sent position will lose it viral so wishes on this matter. young people's votes to the The party executive has Greens. either resign or govern against

question which, owing to its owes deep loyalty to the Ger-extreme flexibility, embraces man workers and the trade the Chancellor's position and keeps the moderate Left happy, too. It allows for continued use of nuclear energy to meet needs which cannot be covered by increased use of domestic coal. and at the same time holds open the chance of abandoning becomes practical.

Party members expect that it will be supported by about twothirds of the delegates and the most that the Left can hope for is some kind of compromise. The vote, however, is unlikely to settle the question for good, r will it remove much deeper

The left are expressing the feeling of an increasing number of Germans that economic growth is not worth the risk which nuclear power stations involve. There is a growing tendency to put buman or at least environmental values before economic ones.
Feelings about controlling

development and energy use have crystallized in a new political tormation known as the "Greens", a number of environmental groups. These could draw votes away from the Social Democrats and their coalition partners, the Free Democrats, and leave the conservative Herr Franz Josef Strauss and his Christian Democrat-Christian Social parties with an absolute

The Social Democrats' Left wing, in particular the Young Social Democrats movement, is concerned that the party's pre-

unions, who fear that a change in the Government's energy policy could cost many jobs. The almost certain victory for the Chancellor and the pragmatic views and the defeat for the more idealistic left is

The law decrees that women

apply for an abortion before

the tenth week of pregnancy.
The operation has to be carried

out by a qualified doctor in an

"in a state of distress

symptomatic of the state of the party after 10 years in power. It has an immensely popular Chancellor — many think the best West Germany has had—who may well win them the election and without whom they could mail the second or self-change. could easily lose.

But the relatively very moderate Herr Schmidt has been less able than his predecessor Herr Willy Brandt to unite his party behind him, The left have often to swallow their objections and fall into line for the sake of party discipline. There is an uneasy feeling that the party has lost its origi-nal idealistic sparkle in the dayto-day business of running the country amid world crises, and critics have suggested that it is in danger of becoming the

with the necessary political trated Left. At the same time it will enable Herr Strauss to taunt Herr Schmidt that he does not have the whole party behind him. But Social Democrats of all

shades appear pleased, even proud, that the debate is taking

place inside their ranks. They

see it as a sign of democracy

flicts in society.

"Chancellor-party", simply there to provide Herr Schmidt

home rule Bill

A last minute deal between passage of a motion of ratifica-The Congress of Deputies, ratified the Bills for both the

Basque country and Catalonia last night with negligible The Senate (Upper House) must also ratify the Bills before

Marseilles, Nov 30.—French fishermen have dumped 350 tons of sardines back into the sea since the beginning of this week in protest against lack of government aid. Ex-SS men 'suspected

they suspected that Dutch Jews deported to Poland were sent there to die.

Wilhelm Harster a former SS colonel and Wilhelm Zoeph, a former SS captain, testified in the trial of Kurt Lisching.

Jews were sent to die'

Herbert Hagen and Ernst Heinrichsohn, who are charged extermination camps in Poland.
The three former Gestapo (Nazi secret police) officials. camp. It was said at the time that they were sent to work in denied that they knew anything Poland But Herr Harster said about the real fate awaiting their victims in Eastern Europe. When 400 Jews were aroused they thought the French Jews claimed.

Herr Harster, aged 75, now retired, and Herr Zoeph, with the necessary political retired, and Herr Zoeph, aged 71, now working as a musician, were high-ranking Gestapo officials. Both served lengthyprison sentences for their pacts. in the wartime deportation of Jews from Holland The suspicion that Jews deported to occupied Poland were.

Cologne, Nov 30.—Two former SS officers said in court today they suspected that Dutch Jews deputy Gestapo chief in France deported to Poland were sent from 1940 to 1943, Herr Hagen, aged 56, a chief of the Jewish wilhelm Harster a former SS colonel and Wilhelm Zoeph, a former SS captain, testified in the trial of Kurt Lischka, Paris in 1943, Herr Heinrichsohn herbert Hagen, and Front hersmuch of Rays in 1943. became the mayor of a Bavarian town after the war. with the deportation of 73,000. Herr Harster and Herr Zoeph Jews from occupied France to said Dutch Jews left for the east by train from Westerborg

about the real fate awaiting his suspicious were aroused their victims in Eastern Europe, when 400 Jews were sent east. They thought the French Jews after a general strike in 1941 were sent to labour camps, they and he received death certificates "relatively quickly". He said Arthur Seiss-Inquart the Nazi commissar for the occupied Netherlands, inquired at Gestapo headquarters in Berlin and Adolf Eichmann, later sentenced to death in Israel came to The Hague and told him the Jews were not killed. But Eichmann then ordered

killed there intensified during that Jews deported east should their activities in the Nethery be given shovels and other tools lands, both witnesses said They to make them look like labour knew no details and did not contingents. Herr Harster said want to know any, either, herr Harster and Herr Zoeph stronger when train-looks of old want to know any, either, his suspicious became even Herr Harster and Herr Zoeph stronger when train-foads of old held similar positions in the and sick people followed. AP.

Army chiefs retired over personal feud Accra, Nov 30 .- The Ghana

Government today said it had retired the chief of the defence staff and the army commander because a personality clash between the two men had led to a breakdown of cooperation, the Ghana news agency reported. Brigadier Joseph Nunco-Mensah, the chief of the defence staff, and Brigadier Arnold Quainoo, the army commander. were retired on Tuesday. It also announced the retirenent from the armed forces of Reight Lieutenant Jerry Rawlings, was ruled Ghana for three months at the head of the Armed Forces Revolutionary

How Nixon made his great Peking coup

Council this year.—Reuter and Agence France-Presse.

In 1972 President Nixon flew to Peking for his historic meeting with Chairman Mao. "I have met no one", wrote Heary Kissinger of Mao, "who so distilled raw concentrated will-power." The contrast between. the psychologies and styles of the two leaders could not have been more dramatic Mao. subtle, magisterial, assured; Nixon, flawed, egotistical, uncertain, yet still pulling off in the end the greatest coup of his presidency. The third extract from Kissinger's brilliant memoir. The White. House, is in The Sunday Times

Sadat-Begin meeting set for mid-December From Christopher Walker

Jerusatem, Nov 30 President Sadat of Egypt and Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, are due to meet in the Egyptian winter resort of Asway next mouth for talks which diplomatic observers regard as crucial for breaking the deadlock over Palestinian

tutenomy.

In Cairo today, the semiofficial newspaper Al Alman said the meeting will begin on December 11. Although there was no immediate confirmation from the Israeli Government, official sources arknowledged that a meeting was scheduled for "mid-December."

for "mid-December.".

The meeting will be the seventh between the two leaders since President Sadar's historic journey to Jerusalem in November, 1977. It comes at a time of renewed unrest throughout the territories occupied by Israel. the chances of completing the

cumbersome negotiations on automory by May, 1980, as scheduled. scheduled.

Although Mr Begin and Mr Sadat confounded observers by holding cordial talks at their last meeting in September, a number of issues have arisen tions. Potentially the most damaging is Israel's continuing efforts to deport Mr Bassam.
Shaka, the elected Arab mayor of Nabhis, who is still impresoned near Tel Aviv.
In a statement issued yesterday in Caro, President Sadat gave a warning of the dangers

to the peace process: "We consider the measures taken by Israel against the Palestinian people in the occupied territories, including the reestablishment of settle the appropriation of Arab land, and the expulsion of the elected mayors of the West Bank as measures which do not contri-bute to the creation of an atmosphere of confidence", he said.

Libya urges canal attack Beirut, Nov 30.—Colonel Jana today quoted Colonel Gaddafi, the Libyan leader, has urged Palestinian guerrillas 10 Gaddaff as saying: The Suez urged Palestinian guerrillas 10 canal must be destroyed because destroy the Suez tanal and must be destroyed because

destroy the Suez canal and under traitor. Sadat, it has Egyptian oil fields that are become a lifetime for the used to supply Israel.

Addressing a mass rally in He said Arab oil would be

Tripoli last night, he also said the Palestinians should attack Israel from all Arab froms, including conservative Saudi.

worthless if it fed the enemy and its allies and is used as fuel for their aircraft which bomb the Palestinian camps. Egypt recently concluded an

rabia.

agreement with fergel to supply

The Libyan news agency it with oil from the Sinai fields.

athrow **DC10** ding

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10 airliner owned by
land Airways, of the
e as that which crashed
ctica earlier this week
loss of all 257 people
l, landed at Heathrow morning with the y services standing by hing had been received flaps on the leading he wing were not work

erly.
ccraft, with 35 passentoard, was being operlease by British Airtouched down safely mph faster than usual leading-edge flaps rewarning of a problem

flaps showed on the k soon after the flight hiladelphia. The crew to overfly Boston, a stop, and to proceed London airport.
cident was being disaviation circles last routine and minor " ng so soon after the and Airways tragedy, the news that a DC10 nexico, the Mexican ad been involved in a stall over Europe-I to be looked at with /es than usual. leroméxico incident on November 12, but

just come to light. att, with 295 passen-16 crew on board, had from Frankfurt for ity by way of Miami. climbing through when it began to

or believed that the was caused by one of ies, and he shut it DC10 levelled off at there the crew found vibration had gone. arted the engine and top to Miami. It was ere that during the this on the elevators balancing had been nd a 2ft square access ie tail cone blown in. nting on the incident, ican Federal Aviation arion (FAA) said:
uid be no reason for
regarding the airof the airplane. The
on will centre on the rational aspects." A has nearly com-investigation of manuprocedures at the l Douglas plant in where the 300 DC10s th 42 antines were



Wreckage of an Air New Zealand DC10 airliner that crashed on Wednesday on the slopes of Mount Erebus in the Antarctic.

from O'Hare airport, Chicago, with the loss of all 273 people on board. On that occasion an engine detached itself from the Maintenance procedures have

also been investigated by the FAA after the Chicago disaster, following which American Airlines has paid a fine of \$500,000 (£250,000) in connexion with seven alleged violations and Continental Airlines a \$100,000 fine on two. fine on two.

Both airlines continue to insist that their maintenance procedures did not violate FAA regulations. Both say they paid the fines to avoid the burden of fighting the issue in court. The FAA alleged that the removal of engines and their is was undertaken removal of crash in May of an mountings a Airlines aircraft of contributed soon after take-off mountings. mountings at the same time had contributed to cracking in the

The two main British operators of DC10's spoke out in its tinuing safety". favour yesterday. Laker Air-ways, with six in service and a chief executive of New Zealand further five on order, said, "We have been operating it since 1972, and are just as proud of It now as we were then. We find that our passengers are not so much worried about

what they are flying in, but more in who is flying it." British Caledonian, with four DC10s in service and four on order, said, "We have every confidence that the aeroplane is safe. We are carrying out all the mandatory checks which were called for after the Chicago crash."

The British Civil Aviation Authority told me: "We are in couch with matters and the interest.

touch with various authorities abroad, but we know of nothing

Airways, Mr Morrie Davis, said that the DC10 which crashed into the side of Mount Erebus, an active volcano in Antarctica while on a sightseeing excur-sion, had its engines running at the time. Rescuers who reached the remote site said that the fuel tanks were two thirds full

This appears to rule out theories that the crash was caused by engine failure or fuel shortage. A suggestion made by the leader of the recovery operation, Mr Roy Thomson, that the crew made a navigational error, was rejected by the New Zealand Airline Pilots' Association as "a scurrilous hypothesis".

frica opens more jobs to blacks Laker fail

iolas Ashford urg, Nov 30

1 tomorrow statutory embly industry and ng trade.

wo job reservation ions will remain on book—one covering officials in the the other which bars in driving ambulances cars in Cape Town. Botha, Minister of Utilization, who has drive to remove job reservation, has that he intends the remaining two

e matters concerning our practices are to d to a new industrial

The reservation of jobs for whites was eashrined in the Industrial Conciliation Act of ation in South Africa 28 different job caregories. virtually disappeared to a decision by the at to repeal three job to provisions in the embly industry and industries. industries.

The significance of the steady removal of job reservation is more psychological than practical in some cases the proviuical in some cases the provisions had become obsolete either because whites had moved out of the jobs which were supposed to be reserved. for them or because exemptions had been granted by the Gov-

At the Ford Motor Company, for example, over 10 per cent of the company's supervisory posts are already held by blacks because of exemptions. There are still a number of

d to a new industrial factors which can prevent havill start operating blacks from climbing up the employment ladder, such as the

white areas. Many company managements are also prejudiced against giving blacks skilled jobs.

Professor Blackie Swart, a member of the National Management of the National Management

power Commission, says: "The main thing is to change the legislation. Once that is done you can start to change people's

The removal of job reservation is not being done for reasons of altruism. It must be seen as part of the strategy being followed by Mr Pieter Botha. The Prime Minister, to end economic discrimination against blacks while maintain

ing white minority rule.

The soaring price of gold has brought the Government a huge budgetary surplus. It realizes that it can use this money to expand the economy only by making better use of the country's black work force.

Peking crowds make most of 'democracy wall'

Peking, Nov 30.—A larger than usual crowd gathered at "democracy wall" today to read posters before an expected crackdown by municipal

The crowd that fluctuated in size reaching an estimated 300 to 400 at one time, read political posters put up many days

difficulties they face in being to bring taken on as apprentices and legislation restricting the training of blacks for skilled jobs in Skytrain to Hongkong From Our Air Correspondent

Laker Airways' efforts to open a scheduled service between London and Hongkong have been rejected in favour of British Caledonian and Cathay Pacific.

The decision by the Hongkong air transport licensing authority announced yesterday effectively breaks the 30-year monopoly which British Airways and its predecessors have had on this busy route where it is often difficult to obtain seats. -It also comes as a severe blow to Sir Freddie Laker, chairman of Laker Airways, who planned to operate a round-the-world kvtrain service. He will, however, have an

opportunity to object to the Hongkong ruling, and to press his own case for being allowed on the route, at a hearing on the whole subject to be held by the Civil Aviation Authority in London on December 13. Cathay Pacific, an airline based in Hongkong but owned based in Hongkong but owned by a London company, said yesterday it could begin operations within six months, if the CAA approved, starting with three flights each week.

British Caledonian said it would begin four flights each week from April 1 with fares starting at £100 single for "eleventh-hour standby".

Correction

in his Kampala Diary in The Times of November 16 Nicholas Ashford described Makerere University as the oldest in black Africa. In fact, this distinction belongs to the University of Sierra Leone which traces its origins to 1827.

retaliates for Chile on extraditions ham Hovey

n, Nov 30 it Carrer has decided litary and economic with Chile in retalia-Santiago's refusal to three former secret cers to stand trial for Washington, Admini-fricials said today. ions will include re-

te size of American and military staffs in custing off military and barring future or guarantees for pro-Chile by the United port-Import Bank and seas Private Investtion, the Administra-

examine critically polications for loans roational financial inand requests for me heences required ports of strategic or advanced techno-bile. nt Pinocher's Govern-

accused of condoning interpetional terrorofficials said. The s to the car bomb f Orlando Letelier, a illean Cabinet Minister mat, and an American a September 21, 1976. Vernon Townley, a States citizen, who; an agent for Dina, crer police, confessed anted the bomb in the te said that three Dina 13: helped to plan the

wee - General Juan Contreras Sepulveda. of Dina at the time of ders, Colonel Pedro Bravo and Captain Fernandez Larios-ticted for murder in

Mr Townley, who served as Mr Townier, who served as a Government witness and was a consequently allowed to plead guilty to a single count of conspiracy to murder a foreign official, is serving a term of from 40 months to 10 years. Two anti-Castro Cuban exiles, were convicted of murder and given life semences for assistgiven life sentences for assist-ing Mr Townley in the bombing

Señor Letelier had served as Ambassador in Washington, Foreign Minister and Defence Minister in the left-wing Government of President Salvador Allende, which was over-thrown by the Chileso samed forces in 1973.

Living in exile in Washington, he became an arrive critic of Chile's ruling military junta on American and invernational planforms and had been stripped of his citizenship by the junta a few days before his death.

Senor Israel Borquez, Chile's Chief Justice, rejected the United States' request for extradition of the Dina officers last May on the ground that the evidence was based on what he called "a paid accusation by I'ownley".

Washington appealed against the roling to a five-judge Chilean Supreme Court panel, which not only unanimously rejected the extradition request on October 1, but ruled out any triel for the three officers in Chile. The three, who had been held for 450 days, were then

In an unusual denomine from diplomatic language, the State Department called the three secret police officers terrorists. The United States, gravely concerned about the court's verdict, recalled its ambassador from bicted for murder in Santiago for a review of 1978, by a federal relations with Chile.—New York y in Washington. Times. News Service.

ago. Two middle-aged men put up non-political posters in the morning after the Peking municipal authorities had been asked to deal with problems at the Wall.—UPI. Hongkong refuses pensions

to wartime prisoners ourraged by a decision this week

that they are not entitled to pen-For 34 years the dwindling number of former prisoners have sought full pensions, which are granted in Canada, the United States and Australia.

In announcing that the pen-sions will not be paid, Mr Eric Ho, the Hongkong Secretary of lians living in Hongkong during the Japanese occupation suf-fered no less than those in cap-

captured in Maksya.

He said: "I would like him to have three and a half years of hell, famine watching his friends starve and die from beautigs and mainum-

From Our Correspondent
Hongkong, Nov 30
Seventy former prisoners of war who survived Japanese imprisonment in Bongkong are interested by a decision below that the death rate among prisoners of war in Kongkong are Hongkong was one in three com-pared with only one in 20 in Europe.

Seven of the 70 former prisoners are not entitled to a grant under the War Memorial Fund because they were not captured in Hongkong. Others have retrained from applying for this grant—\$HK870 (£80) a month for a single person and \$HK1740 (£160) for a married person because of the prolonged and intensive investigation to which

they would have to submit.

Mr Jack Mitchell, chairman of the prisoners association, said There was an angry reaction the prisoners association, said to this from Mr David Paulie, that an appeal would be made who spent three and a half to the Hongkong Government years in Hongkong after heing against the ruling. It has a case the suggested that the case should be taken to the Inter-national Court in The Hague. Payment of full pensions to the Hongkong survivors would cost an estimated \$HK1.5m tion. We had people smuggling (£140,000) a year,

not interfere.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court refused an application by Mr Raymond Blackburn, of Homefield Road. Chiswick, for an order of mandamus directed to the commissioner requiring him, inter alia, to enforce or secure the enforcement of the law against those who illegally publish or sell obscene material.

Mr Blackburn in person: Mr material. Mr Blackburn in person; Mr Donald Farquharson, QC, and Mr Michael Gettleson for the commis-

Law Report November 30 1979

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice and Lord Justice Browne

The current arrangements made by the Metropolitan Police Com-missioner for the conduct by the police of proceedings under sec-tions 2 and 3 of the Obscene Publi.

cations Act, 1959, were within his discretion, and the court would not interfere.

Michael Gettleson for the commissioner.

LORD JUSTICE BROWNE, reading the judgment of the court, said that in 1973, and when Mr Blackburn started the present proceedings in October, 1978, the Prosecution of Offences Regulations, 1946, were in force. By regulation 1 it was provided: "It shall be the duty of the Director of Public Prosecutions to institute, andertake or carry on criminal proceedings...(c) in any case which appears to him to be of importance or difficulty or which for any other reason requires his intervention."

By regulation 6(21, "The chief intervention."

By regulation 6(2), "The chief officer of police shall also report, as respects offences alleged to have been committed within his police district, to the Director of Public Prosecutions . . . (d) cases of obscene or indecent libels, exhibitions or publications. In which it appears to the chief officer of police that there is a prima facie case for prosecution."

For some time before Novem-

For some time before November, 1978, there was an arrangement between the director and the

commissioner that in the Metro-politan Police area all proceed-ings, under sections 2 and 3 of

Court of Appeal

In 1978 the system was changed because, as Mr Farquharson had fold the court. "It became very clear that because of the increase in the amount of selzures the director was not able to cope."

The 1946 regulations were revoked by the Prosecution of Offences Regulations, 1978, which came into force in January, 1978. The new regulations contained in regulations 3 and 6(1)(g) privisions corresponding to regulations 1(c) and 6(2)(d) of the 1946 regulations. Although regulations filing) was revoked before the regulations came into force, the director, in December, 1978, wrote to the commissioner adding offences involving obscene exhibitions or publications. To the list of offences required to be reported under regulation 6(2) of the 1978 regulations. By regulation 6(2), "The cinct officer of ... police area shall give to the director ... such information as he may require with respect to such other cases as the director ... may from time to time specify..."

New arrangements were agreed between the director and the commissioner and came into force in November, 1978. Proceedings, either under section 2 or 3, were no longer normally conducted by the director. District police officers were required to submit

Call for review of damages rule

Nabi v British Leyland (UK)

Ltd

Before Lord Justice Megaw, Lord
Justice Browne and Lord Justice
Brightman

Sums received by an injured
workman by way of unemployment benefit under section
12(1)(a) of the Social Security
Act, 1975, ought to be taken into
account in assessing, as against bis
negligent employers, the damages
to be awarded for his consequent
loss of earnings and those damages
should be reduced accordingly.

The Court of Appeal indicated
that the time had come for the
decision in Parsons v B.N.M.
Laboratories Ltd (1964) 1 QB
951, which laid down the rule, to
be reviewed; but the review
could not properly be conducted by the Court of Appeal
and the rule must stand until the
House of Lords or the legislature
decided otherwise.

Their Lordships, in a reserved
judgment, dismissed an appeal by
Mr Guhalam Nabi, from a decision
of Mr Justice Smith who held that
unemployment benefit awarded
under section 12(1) of the Social
Security Act should be taken into
account in assessing as against bis
the problem came before the
Court of Appeal in Parsons v
BNM Laboratories Ltd on appeal
during the argument in the Court
of Appeal. The court unanimously
reversed the master's decision and
deducted the unemployment benefit
in from the damages. That
decision was applied by Mr Justice
John Stephenson in a personal
injuries case Foxicy and Another
volunt (1965) 2 QB 306).

Their Lordships were asked to
review those two decisions in the
light of the House of Lords decisinn in Parry v Cleaver. In that
case of his injuries. He
because of his injuries. He

under section 12(1) of the Social Security Act should be taken into

Security Act should be taken into account in assessing against his employers, the damages to be awarded for his loss of earnings consequent on his injury.

Mr T. P. Russell, QC, and Mrs Janet Smith for Mr Nabi: Mr Christopher Rose, QC, and Mr H. K. Goddard, QC, for British Leyland. LORD JUSTICE BRIGHTMAN,

LORD JUSTICE BRIGHTMAN, reading the judgment of the court, said that Mr Nabi was injured in an accident found by Mr Justice Smith to be due to the fault of the employers, who had left daugerous machinery unfenced in breach of their stanutory duty. Damages were awarded under three heads: general damages for pain, suffering and loss of amenity; special damages in respect of loss of earnings to date; and special damages in respect of loss of future earnings. The judge assessed the loss of earnings at \$1,724 without regard to social security. He then mok

to social security. He then took into account the fact that Mr Nabi had received £1.062 by way of unemployment benefit and re-

into account the fact that Mr Nabi had received £1,062 by way of unemployment benefit and reduced the £4,724 by that amount, leaving a figure of £3,362. The question was whether the judge correctly had regard to the sum of £1,062.

The Social Security Act, 1975, required contributions to be paid by employees and employers, called Class I contributions, together with supplements paid by the Treasury. To qualify for unemployment benefit, a claimant must have made a certain minimum number of contributions and the duration of the benefit was confined to a year. The scheme in relation to unemployment benefit was similar to an insurance scheme, in that payments were made by a person, having the effect of entitling him to a benefit upon the ::appening of an event which might or might not occur. Damages were compensation for net loss, and if the victim of a personal injury or other wrong was in receipt of a benefit which he would not have received had the wrongful act not been done, that benefit, in a broad sense, reduced his loss and was intended to do so.

Lord Reid pointed out in Parry

reduced his loss and was intended to do so.

Lord Reid pointed out in Parry v Cleaver ([1970] AC 1) that three questions had to be answered. First, what did the plainiff lose as a result of the accident? The answer in the present case was f4,724, down to the date of judgment. Secondly, what were the sums he did in fact receive as post - accident receipes? The answer was £1,062. Thirdly, should the latter be deducted from the former in assessing damages? The problem was not resolved by British Transport Commission v Gourley ([1956] AC 1851.

Gourley ([1956] AC 185). There were two large and defined areas in which post-accident receipts were disregarded at common law, namely, the proceeds of insurance established by Bradburn v GWR Co ([1874] LR 10 Ex 1) and the proceeds of LR 10 Ex 1) and the process of benevolence by Redpath v Bellast and County Down Railway ([1947] NI 167), where the plaintif was the recipient of benefit out of a charity fund raised locally by the residents for the victims of the accident accident.

Cleaver that unemployment benefit could be regarded as a combination of insurance and national benevolence, and the Court of Appeal held in Daish v Wauton ([1972] 2 QB, 262, 272) that the benefit of state maintenance under the National Health legislation the National Health legislation was non-deductible from lost future earnings. If both insurance payments and fruits of public and private benevolence were disregarded, why was it logical to take into account payments which could be properly regarded as a combination of insurance and benevolence?

Lord Reid said in Parry

In Fitzpatrick v Moore and Others ([1962] NI 152) and in the

negugence was discharged in 1964 because of his injuries. He obtained other but less well-paid employment and claimed damages in respect of the net annual loss of earnings pending normal retirement at 48 in 1975. But as from July 1. 1974, he received a police disablement pension payable to bim during his life, and the question was whether during the period when he was under 48 and still claiming loss of wages, he had to give credit for the disablement pension which he received from his employers during what should have been, but for his accident, his working time on full pay to the force.

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Although there was no disablement fund in existence, it was agreed between the parties that he should be treated as if there had been a fund in existence to which heen a fund in existence to which he had contributed, the remainder of the benefit being provided by the police, so that employer and employee were the contributories to the notional fund. The House decided by a majority against deductibility, on the grounds that it would revolt the ordinary man's center of intricand it was theresense of justice and it was therefore contrary to public policy.
That the policeman could gain
mothing from the benevolence of
his friends while the only person
to gain would be the wrongdoer. In the present case Mr Justice Smith treated deduction of unem-Smith treated deduction of unemployment benefit as settled practice and followed two cases, the first, Show v Cape Insulation Co. Ltd (unreported, July 18, 1977) by Mr Justice Hollings and a decision of Mr Justice Finer, and concluded that he was bound by the Parsons case.

the Parsons case.

The court had been pressed by counsel to allow the appeal on the basis that Parsons had been wrongly decided and were obliged to depart from it in the light of the majority's conclusions in the Party case. It was submitted that unemployment benefit was produced partly by contributions of the employee, made perhaps for many years, and was a form of state insurance and not an alternative to, or a continuation of wasse which had been received by tive to, or a continuation of, wages which had been received by Mr Nabi during his employment. The benefits were therefore partly of the character of insurance and partly of benevolence.

Furthermore, social benefits had come, through a series of decisions, not to be deductible decisions, not to be deductable from damages paid by a wrong-doer save so far as they were subject to the statutory compromise imposed by the Law Reform (Personal Injuries) Act. 1948 (as amended by the National Insurance Act, 1971), which pro-vided that in assessing damages for personal injuries, one half of sickness and one half of invalidity benefit should be taken into account against loss of earnings. Unemployment benefit and retirement pensions were untouched by statute in that context, although a widow's benefit and the death grant were to be wholly left out of account under section 2 of the Fatal Accidents Act, 1959 (as amended by the Social Security Act, 1973).

The court appreciated the force of that argument, but in the end it came down to the question whether the Parsons case was overruled by Parry's case. There was no such inconsistency between the two decisions as would entitle the court to depart from their decision. The law in relation to unemployment benefit was at present that laid down in Parsons and had to remain so until the House of Lords or the legislature decided otherwise. The appeal was dismissed with

Leave to appeal was gramed. Solicitors: Brian Thompson & Parmers, Manchester; A. W. Mawer & Co, Manchester.

the 1959 Act would be conducted by the director, pursuam to his dury under regulation 1(c) of the 1946 regulations. Section 2(1) the 3(1) reports on material made it an offence for a person to publish an obscene article or have such an article for publication for gain. Section 3(1) empowered justices to issue search and secture warrants in respect of obscene articles kept for publication for gain. The director had also indicated that if possible his office should be consulted hefore police officers carried out selzures. We have a proceedings and procedures as "the incredibly stupid bureautrangements are likely and involve them in their delay and in

themselves.

The system of which Mr Blackburn originally complained had therefore now been changed, but he still complained butterly that the "centralization policy" and the "bureaucratic procedures" under the new system made the effective enforcement of the law against pornography impossible. He said that there was an "enormous" police raid in January, 1973, as a result of which the extreme pornographic material disappeared for a time; but that now pornographic material had increased again, and in particular the bine film clubs had vastly increased in numbers and invaded the West End.

Their Lordships approached the

the West End.

Their Lordships approached the case by considering whether there had been since 1973 any such change in the circumstances or in the nature of the relief claimed as would make it right to grant now the relief which was refused then by the Divisional Court and the Court of Appeal: R r Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Exparte Blackburn (No 3) ([1973] QB 241).

Mr Blackburn suggested that the

Mr Blackburn suggested that the amendment of the Prosecution of Offences Regulations strengthened his case, but in their Lordships' view it weakened it. It seemed that the new system removed at least some of Mr Blackburn's

Obscenity proceedings: new system upheld previous complaints as to the role of the director and section 3 proceedings.

In the 1973 case the Court of Appeal held that the making of the arrangements which Mr Blackburn was challenging was within the commissioner's discretion, with which the court would not interfere. The arrangements now challenged ware also within that discretion. It was impossible to say that the commissioner was not entitled in his discretion to give instructions that in that difficult field of the law the police should consult their legal adviser and that the more serious legal proceedings should be conducted by him.

As to a sub-paragraph of Air Blackburn's nonce of motion, that the commissioner be required "to seek the consent of the Attorney General for relator actions... against those who own or manage libius film clubs?", Mr Farquharson said that the stage had not yet been reached where the commissioner had the material necessary to support an application to the Attorney General. In their Lordship's judgment, to decide whether or not to insulte such proceedings was also a matter within the discretion of the commissioner with which the courts should not interfere.

Accordingly, it was unpossible to say that the commissioner had

Queen's Bench Division

should not interfere.

Accordingly, it was impossible to say that the commissioner had "turned his back on his duties."

Mr. Blackburn had raised a point which he did not raise in 1973. He conterded that the effect of the commissioner's interpretable. 1973. He conterded that the effect of the commissioner's instructions was to remove from constables the power of arrest in obstenity cases. Apart altogether from the indisputable fact the commissioner had no authority to divest constables of their lawful powers of arrest and any attempt by him to do so would be of no avail, their Lordships were satisfied that the practical effect of the commussioner's instructions was not to remove their powers of arrest.

The result was that the motion failed and must be dismissed.

Solicitors: Metropolitan Police Solicitor.

Chancery Division

Slater charity gets exemption from tax

Inland Revenue Commissioners y Helen Slater Charitable Trust

Before Mr Justice Slade.

was incorporated at the instance of Mrs Slater's husband. Mr James Slater. For the three years 1973-75 the trust's net income was 1739,219, £5,050 and £12,225 respectively. Its account showed that in 1973 it donated to the foundation £639,318, of which £578,479 was added to the foundation's funds and not distributed in the year of receipt. In the following year of receipt. In the following two years the trust donated £5,050 and £12,225 to the foundation's

distributed.

The trust appealed against the rejection by the Board of Inland Revenue of its claim for exemption from tax under section 360 (1) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act. 1970, and section 35 (1) of the Finance Act. 1965. in respect of its income or gains paid to the foundation but not distributed by it for those three years. The special commissioners held that the disputed sums had been applied by the trust for charitable purposes only and allowed the appeal. The Crown

to charitable purposes only ".

Mr C. H. McCall for the Crown;
Mr A. E. W. Park, QC. for the
charitable trust.

MR JUSTICE SLADE, in a
reserved judgment, said that the
trust, being a registered charity
of which the income was applicable
to charitable purposes only, had
to be entitled to exemption from
tax in so far as its income and
gains were "applied to charitable purposes".

The Crown contended that (1)

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A charity making outright transfers of money to another charity is to be regarded as having "applied" its income to "charitable purposes" notwithstanding that the moneys remain undistributed, being merely added to the recipient charity's capital.

His Lordship, dismissing an appeal by the Crown, held a charitable trust, the Helen Slater Charitable trust, the Helen Slater Sction 360 (1) of the Income and Section 360 (1) of the Income and Section 360 (1) of the Finance Act, 1970, and Corporation Taxes Act, 1970, and Corporation Taxes Act, 1970, and Section 360 (1) of the Finance Act, 1965, in respect of income or gains which it paid to another charitable body, the Slater Foundation Ltd., and which the foundation did not itself distribute by the end of the year in which the payments were received.

In 1970 the charitable trust was Incorporated at the instance of Mrs Helen Slater to relieve suffering among the aged, impotent or poor; to advance education and to further such other charitable objects as it thought fit. The same year the Slater Foundation, another registered charity with almost ideatical charitable objects, was incorporated at the instance of Mrs Slater's husband, Mr James Slater. For the three years 1973-

a charity's income could properly be said to have been "applied for charitable purposes" if it had been used to augment its endow-ment by way of accumulation.

ment by way of accumulation.

The arguments of both parties on the second submission left his Lordship with a number of doubts. However, in the circumstances it was unnecessary to reach a decision. Whatever other doubts arose as to the meaning of "applicable to charitable purposes", ordinarily income must be said to have been so applied by a charitable corporation if it had transferred outright assets to another charitable corporation which, acting intra vires, made an outright transfer of money applicable to charitable purposes to any other charity in such a manner as to pass to the transferee full tide to the money had to he said itself to have applied such money for charitable purposes unless the transferor knew that the transferer would missoply the funds held that the disputed sums had been applied by the trust for charitable purposes only and allowed the appeal. The Crown appealed.

Section 360 (1) exempts charities from mx "where the income in question forms part of the income of a charity, or is applicable to charitable purposes only, and so far as it is applied.

For charitable purposes unless the transferor knew that the trunt so transferred it followed that a charity could claim exemption without showing how the money was dealt with by the transferred. Accordingly the trust had brought itself within the wording of the relevant sections and the appeal was dismissed.

Words to remember

McEniff v General Dental Council

Before Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord
Scarman and Lord Lane
[Judgment delivered Nov 27]
A dentist charged before the
disciplinary committee of the
General Dental Council with
"infamous or disgraceful conduct
in a professional respect", under
section 25(1)(b) of the Dentists
Act. 1937, should only be found
guilty if the conduct is deserving
of the strongest reprobation: mere
pegligence is not erough. The
penalty provisions of the Act,
whereby the only punishment
officially available to the committee is to direct the erasure of the
offender's name from the register,
meed to be reconsidered.
The Privy Council dismissed an
appeal by Mr Patrick Joseph
McEmiff, of Emiskilken, co Fermanagh, from a finding of guilt
recorded by the disciplinary committee against him on the ground
that he had permitted usqualified
staff to tasert fillings in a patient's
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sentence of erasure was also dismissed. Section 25(1) provides: "A

registered dentist who either registered deputs who erther before or after registration—...
(h) has been guilty of any infamous or disgraceful conduct in a professional respect, shall be liable to have his name erased from the register."

Mr. Rey Beldam, OC, and Mr.

Mr Roy Beldam, QC, and Mr Bernard Hargrove for Mr Mc-Eniff; Mr Anthony Hidden, QC, and Mr Timothy Straker for the General Demail Council. LORD EDMUND-DAVIES said

ing of guit invalid.

The only sentence the committee had jurisdiction to impose under the Act was to erase the dentist's name from the register, although if it did not do that it could, and not infrequently did, deliver an exactivation of the contraction. unofficial reprimand. The corresponding provisions relating to doctors had been amended to include a sentence of suspension for less serious breaches of the professional code. The Dentists Act ought to be reconsidered in that light.

It was also open to the comthat the legal assessor had advised the committee that it had to "decide what is the appropriate standard each prectitioner should adhere to, not a special standard aftered to, not a special standard aftered than is ordinarily to be expected, but the ordinary standard of the profession ". It was complianted that that observation failed to distinguish between mere negligent conduct and infamous or disgraceful conduct.

The law was as stated by Lord Jenkins in Felix v CDC ([1960] .

AC 704, 720): "Granted that ... mittee to postpone sentence, which might have been appropriate in the instant case. But as in the case of appeals under the Medical Act. 1956, their Lord-ships. although having in terms committee's decision, were in practice slow to interfere with the committee's exercise of its distinguish between mere negligent conduct and infamous or disgraceful conduct.

Solicitors: Hempsons; Water-house & Co. mittee to postpone sentence, which might have been appropriate

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"Beautiful Railway Bridge of the Silvery Tay! Alas! I am very sorry to say! That incty lives have been taken away On the last Sabbath day of 1879.
Which will be remembered

William McGonagall, self-styled poet and tragedian of Dundee, was unquestionably the greatest bad poet Scotland ever pro-duced, a veritable Virgil of the excruciating couplet. When he composed the above deathless stanza he was 49, but still only at the beginning of a literary career which was to culminate in the ultimate recognition of being turned away from the gares of Balmoral Castle.

It is entirely fitting that this master carver of the artless banality, this Homer of the bathetic epic whose only claim to expertise was an unshake-able faith in his own incompe-tence, should be remembered above all today for his tragic narrative, The Tay Bridge Disaster. He was wrong about the numbers drowned, but right that it would stay in the mind for a very long time. McGonagall, for all his faults, had a certain facility for conveying popular sentiment.

The best remembered of all great railway accidents, perhaps thanks to the bard of Dundee, occurred a century ago, on the Sunday night of December 28,

The Tay Bridge which fell that ferocious winter night, taking with it a train and seventy-five luckless souls, was itself like a McGonagall poem; a rickety epic of engineering, inadequate in design and inept on construction which was remarkable, not for being done well, but for being done at all.

Its collapse was no mere misfortune to be forgotten with the next day's news. It was, at a few feet short of two miles, by far the longest bridge in the world, the most daring expression to date of the Victorians' supreme self-

comparable with that felt at the sinking of the Titanic 33 years later. It was a rude awakening and an awful warning to a nation that had grown completent with achievement. greedy with profit, and careless in its relentless pursuit of industrial progress.

Particularly, it cast a shadow of doubt over the nation's engineers, who until then had eemed capable of limitless wizardry in iron, from the Crystal Palace to the Great Western Railway. Nothing like the Tay Bridge had ever been built before, and nothing quite like it was ever attempted again. Its construction estab-lished its designer, Thomas Bouch, as the outstanding civil engineer of his day. Its collapse ruined, broke, and in a very short time killed him.

Thomas Bouch was the third son of a sea-captain from Thursby in Cumberland who claimed to have been seized engineer on hearing his village schoolmaster deliver a lesson on the principles of the Archi-medean Screw. He created such a good impression in his first job, as an apprentice on the building of the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway, that his employer wrote to his old school asking for a fresh supply of house of similar calibra.

But his great dream was never far from his mind. With indomitable persistence he tramped time and again down ply of boys of similar calibre. In 1849 at the age of 27, when the railway mania was at its height, Bouch went to work to Princes Street to the offices of the North British Railway. on a modest little track in Edinburgh, where he gave birth to an obsession which his head bulging with ideas and his arms with huge rolls birth to an obsession which was to remain with him all his with the same answer; it won't work, and even if it did, where life, and which indeed was to prove his undoing. would we get the money to build it? The North British

At this time the two main rival rail routes from London to Scotland, the east and west coast lines, were beginning to take shape, and it was plain that their eventual destination would be Aberdeen. The west coast route could strike north from Glasgow, clamber round the bottom edge of the High-land plateau by Perth, and approach Aberdeen from the landward. The way was in direct and decidedly hilly. How much easier, faster and cheaper it would be to continue the flat, straight, east coast route north from Edinburgh by the easy terrain of eastern Scotland.

There were two massive obstacles, the great tidal estuaries of Forth and Tay which gash the eastern seaboard, neither less than a mile wide at any convenient crossing. To Thomas Bouch the solution was obvious; they would have to be bridged. It was of course, proposterous. Whoever heard of a railway bridge a mile long, and across a tidal estuary at that? Apart from the sheer impracticality, the cost would be unimaginable.

Bouch bided his time, and

by some influential friends in the city, he went to Dundee and, at a well-attended public meeting, extolled the virtues of a bridge across the Tay, the most obvious being that the city's busy mills and factories would then have direct access to cheap coal from the pits of

its ingenious system of moving

ramps to counter the 20ft tide

it was a great success, and established Bouch's reputation,

enabling him to leave his rail

way job and set up on his own as a consulting civil engineer. He consistently refused to hang his brass plate in Great George Street, Westmister, the Healer Street of his tree.

George Street, Westminster, the Harley Street of his pro-

fession, preferring the profit-able provincial obscurity of

Here, for the next 20 years, he created a solid reputation

as a builder of cut-price rail-ways, of cheap, lightly con-structed but reliable lines railor-made for those out-of-the

way places too unprofitable for the big networks to reach.

Many of his lines and bridges

were standing a century later until felled by the Beeching axe. He found time too, to lay

our the transways of London, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Dun-

Always he was sent away

was a sprawling, illogical rail-

way system created from a haphazard series of mergers.

lying about rather than serving

the east side of Scotland, and

chronically hard up largely because it was missing out on all the profitable traffic to the

Eventually, probably more to

be rid of Bouch's constant pes-terings than from any serious

intent, the railway allowed him

to conduct a series of test bor-ings for a Forth Bridge. But it

was a half-hearted exercise.

beser by technical difficulties.

Thomas Bouch was not going

to give up that easily, and he tried another tack. Encouraged

and it petered out.

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George Street, Edinburgh.

Fife, across the water. The Dundonians were suspicious of such a venture, but Bouch assured them he had conquered the design problems

amaze everyone by designing the world's first train ferry, in 1850, to carry wagons five miles across the Forth from Granton to Burntisland. With such a bridge for less than £200,000, the cirizens of Dun-At once the Provost and

clutch of leading industrialists formed a committee, set up a company, and issued a pros-But it was to another six years before the promoters were able to push a Bill through Parliament, there being a host of objectors, from the Caledonian Railway, proprietors of the inland route to Aberdeen, to the City of Perth, whose pride as the ancient Scottish capital was wounded by the vision of a bridge preventing shipping reaching it up the Tay. Not that much shipping ever did.

In the meantime the North British Railway had a board-room shuffle and acquired a dynamic, aristocratic new chairman, John Stirling of Kippendavie, who was firmly behind the Tay Bridge project port. The Bill finally went through, and on July 22, 1871. Thomas Bouch stood on the south shore of the wide Tay estuary and watched the laying of the foundation stone of his of the foundation stone of his

iream. Bouch, a tall, black-bearded visage, detested the press, and he ensured that no reporter was present at the ceremony So the Dundee Advertiser let off some small-arms fire in his

direction.
"What will be the use of attempting to carry the great East Coast Route for more than two miles suspended between the sky and the water on about the width of a respectable dining table? It assumes immense faith in railway passengers to imagine that they iron tightrope carried at so great an elevation above the stream. Railway travelling will certainly be made a gymnastic feat so far as this bridge is

And from the Sidlaw Hills overlooking the wide Tay, Patrick Matthew, a fruit farmer, wrote the first of a series of letters to the papers of such prophetic insight that he became known as the Seer of Gourdie:--

"The Great Eastern (Brunet's steamship) was just such another blunder as the erection of this great bridge will be. They are both steps wide of precedent and beyond expe-

Dundee was happy having its bridge, but it had some doubts about the design. It was an immense structure, nearly two miles long because

for the moment was content to down to the last detail, demonamaze everyone by designing strating with one of his vast
the world's first train ferry, in rolls of drawings. And when
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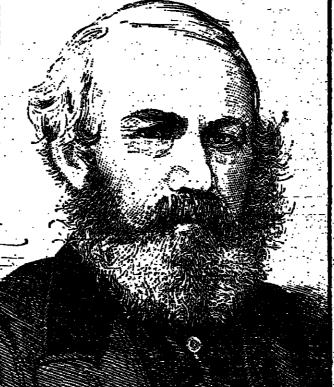
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The designer also promised that his great work would be ready to receive trains in a mere three years, but it soon became clear that such a promise was going to be wildly un-attainable. From the very first, things began to go wrong. The contractor appointed to build the bridge died before he

ir Thomas Bouch



Before starting, Bouch had hired a driller to make test borings of the river bed, and the driller had reported hap-pily that the Tay flowed on solid bedrock all the way across. As the fifteenth pier was being built he was found to have made a serious error not rock but a thin crust of gravel overlaying a bottomles: nit of mud. Anyone but Bouch would

have thrown in the towel. but the bridge died before he he simply changed his designs, could begin, the second con- abandoning solid brick plers in tractor also mysteriously died favour of much lighter sup-balfway through the work, and a ports of lattice from that would

rom the intense worry.

Then the calamities began. failing badly behind schedule, chiefly because of appalling weather which kept the construction gangs shorebound for be erected much faster than brick. But early in 1877 the displeasure in more dramatic Two of the central

rad been placed in position on top of their columns by hydraulic jacks, ready to be bolted down. A sudden and violent storm swept down from the Highland bills in the darkness of a Friday evening. The rescue boat was on its way a safety precaution when its crew heard three violent exploons, a grieding of wrench iron, and a tremendous splash. Four hundred tons of iron had fallen into the river, leaving 39 men clinging for their lives to By the time the bridge was

finished 20 men, working 12 hour shifts in the hitter cold for eightpence an hour, had died in its building. But at last four years late and at a final cost of £300,000, it was finished. The Board of Trade inspected it and passed it fit, although with a maximum speed limit of £5mph

and a regret that they had not had more time to study the effects of wind pressure Dundae threw a huge banquer for Bouch and gave him the free-dom of the city. He did not even have the too busy at the drawing board with his next masterpiece, a suspension bridge a mile long and 500 feet high, to span the

Now that the Tay Bridge was finished, the press withdrew most of its criticism, and The Times was moved to enthus

these as must have been felt by those who watched Blundin crossing the Magara. Fragile as its appearance is, however, there is no doubt about its thorough artistics."

Thomas Bouch had to thomas Bouch had to wait for one more year for his final accolate. In June of 1879, the Queen graciously consented to wavel home from Baimoral by the new bridge, and let it be known that the would be pleased to grant a knightmod to the genus behind it. Sir

On the morning of Sunday December 28, 1879, the day began in Dundee clear and still, almost unnaturally so, but shortly after kinch the barometer began to fall; the wind started and a light southerly got up, soon veering wes-terly and gathering strength. The barometer fell an inch to 28.80 during the afternoon, and by four o'clock it had begun to rais. All down the east coast, from Aberdsen to the Tyne, the wind rose to gale, bringing with it heavy squalls and showers of rain. By six o'clock showers of vain. By six o'clock it was rattling the window panes of Dundse and placking channey pots and tiles from the roofs. By seven it was unsafe to step out of doors.

Across the river in Fife, the last train of the day from Edinburgh to Dundee was batthing through the rain, its pas-sengers already weary from a choppy crossing of the Forth on Sir Thomas's main terry, on Sir Thomas's grain ferry, and looking forward to arriving in Dundee station at 715. Mr James Lawson, a Dundee resident whose house overlooked the estuary, glanced at his wanth and ment to the window to see if the train would attempt the bridge in such a tempest. Through the inky darkness, he saw its lights on the southern shore, as later the southern shore, as later that night he rold the local correspondent of The Times.

"Once on the bridge it seemed to move with great swiftness elong, and when the engine contered the connect-like cloisters gri enactry testrated the erects of the lights as seen through the lattice-world, when she exclaimed: Look papa! Inn't that like lightning? All this takes some time to sell, but to the eye it stemmed as if, should doubt another the stranger doubt another world the extranger. simultaneously with the surrance of the train upon this part of the hidge, a comer-like burst of bridge, a competitive burst or hidge, a competitive burst or fiery sparks spreng out, as if farcibly ejected into the darkness from the single. In a long visible trait the streak of fire way seen, this quenched in the stormy water below. Then there was absolute darkness on the bridge."

Some manutes later a brief break in the angry clouds admitted a staff of mountight, and the wanchers had a fleet-ing glampse of the rengeance of the elements. All 13 high girder spains across the main fairway classical had vanighed, learing a gap a thousand vards mide where once there had been a bridge. And of the of no 6 Oxford Terrace, Edia-burgh Sir Thomas had ratired

who brought up the relegra-leaving him to read it alor Within an hour the engine of the world's longest brid was on his way to Dundse.

At daybreak the mount

facts to a stunned nation. T.
Times story was brief: Touight a heavy gale sw over Dundee, and a portion the Tay Bridge was blown do while the train from Edinbur due at 7.15 was passing it believed that the train is in 0

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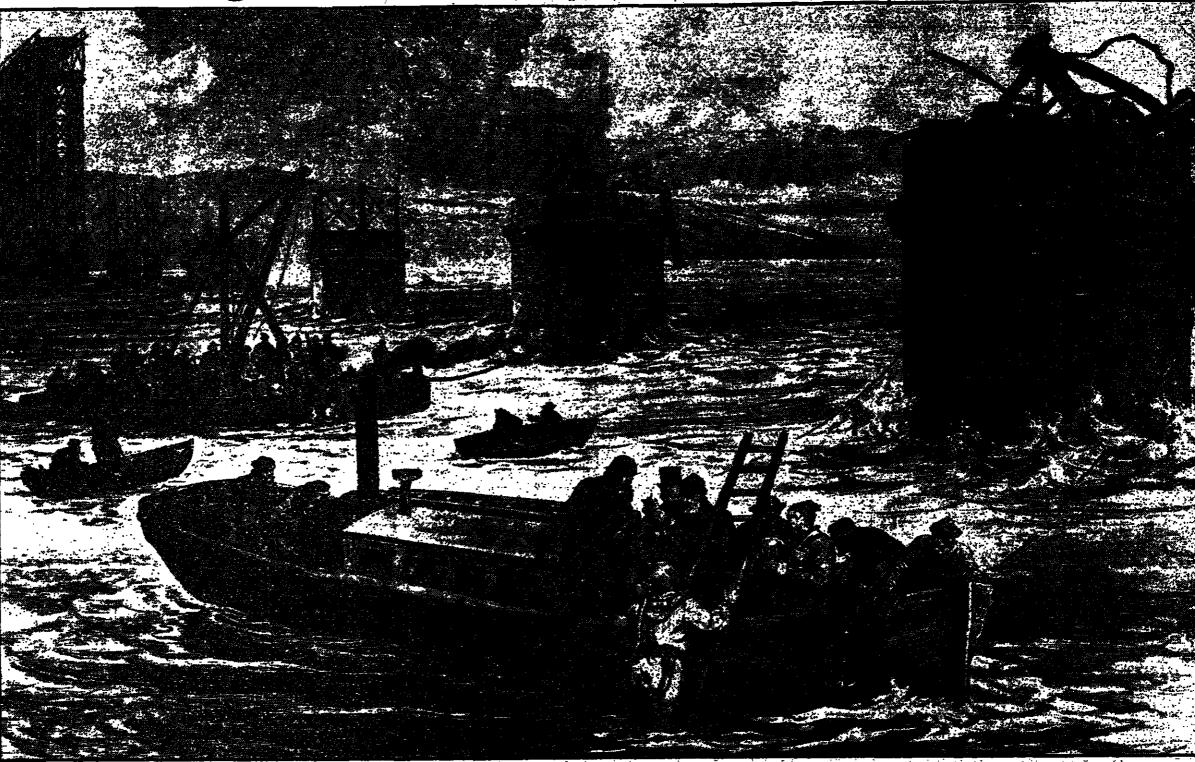
The scene at the Tay Bridge station tonight is simp appailing. Many thousand persons are congregated around the buildings, and strong the And alongside, an editora commented: "Such an exdent as this, so award in a magnitude, has never bee known in England."

Scottish Presbyterian ters were not slow to dem lesson from the disaster. It was the Lord's vengeance, the panies who profaned in Lord's Day by sunning and on the Sabbath, and 1999 those godiess souls who to velled in them. But publi opinion demanded a more con crete explanation, and the tion court of inquiry 20,000 questions.

Those questions uncertified management and mis meanour concerned with the

the 25 mph speed limit on the bridge had been blatanth ignored, as engine driver cared the ferries across the Tay. And they heard hair rail ing tales of the iron foundry that had been set up on site w cast the columns and girder. The Cleveland iron had been of the most inferior grade, and the foundry operated without any kind of supervision, consponents being sent out to the bridge with none but the mos cursory inspection from the foreman, Fergus Ferguson Columns were cast off-centis-with lugs and brackets missing and with great cracks while were disguised with a put were disguised with a put known as Beaumont Egg, losing for all the world like (*) tron but made from a mirre

once it was built? An inspettor of brickwork, they we



Diving operations in search of the wreck of the railway train



had been left in charge of maintaining this iron bridge

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Facts and fallacies

must be an inexplicable for a "point count" mea-which accurately reflects ength of a hand. As reat last November one of iders explained to me at length how he had im-on the "Mikror-Work" of 43-2-1 for ace-king. or 4-2-1 for ace-kingjack, and he was correct,
which of valuing winners of totally dissimilar to
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obtained a figure which obtained a figure which optening a name was proposed to give the top-ontract which could be it was of little practical t rubber bridge. not appreciate the importance of denying to his opponents a part-score; he should have been prepared to lose more than 100 to prevent North South from fact is that the 4-3-2-1

as come to stay, alchough as come to stay, although revalues aces and treats diate cards as almost ss. It is of use only to who adhere rigidly to a and then they must add for distribution—five for three for a singleton, c. a doubleton. Goren about the count but it in practice, C. C. to constructed Precions, a careful to say that was careful to say ther the Milton-Work count dance only, because it timated the high and over estimated the

f the deals when there petative bidding, and a have opened with a n. of 14 points—call ee and a half defensive and a half playing tou will be in the post-st guess whether you ard to rebid your hand.

West came dealer. West game; dealer

₩ 8 7.3 Û Q 10 6 Û K B 4 2

& K 0 5 7 2

At savourable vulnerability South was faced with the need to make a competitive bid and wisely chose a take-out double in preference to Two Chubs-which would have suggested a weaker hand. North was lucky to make Two Diamodis when to make Two Diamonds when East with more courage would have bid and made Two Hearts. Two Diamonds could have been defeated if West had obtained an over-ruff on the third round of Hearts; but it must not be assumed that defenders always make the most of their cards. I introduced this deal to show how undervalued aces are by players who bid according to an arithmetical count. East did not appreciate the importance

scoring.

The prime importance of bid-The prime importance of bidding and play is, not to be able to count, to visualize the shape of the opponents' bands and the key cards in them.

A recent book by Victor Mofio (Faber, £5.50) entitled The Finen Arts of Bridge is described as a text book on psychology and contains many excellent examples of expert play. But I disagree with the author's assertion that problems are created and solved in the main by a psychological approach to the game because they are almost invariably rests of clear thinking. After roaming far afield for his deals Mofio discovered no more than the average player is conthat the average player is conhas learnt to reject elementary lessons and uses his brain to

South West North East 3 No Francis & Diamonds & Hearts No No No 5 No trungs No No No 10 No

liable information had been given to him by those four.

South was known to have a solid seven-card minor and to be otherwise trickless, because his partner had earlier anhis partner had earlier announced that they were employing the convention. Which was South's long suit? Diamonds, undoubtedly because by responding Six Diemonds. North had excluded a slam in Clubs. West knew, therefore, that North held at most two diamonds, with top clubs and incks in both the majors. Moreover. North had bid. Six North over. over, North had bid Six No trumps as his second choice in anticipation of a heart lead and he was therefore sure to be holding the CA and AAK. His control of hearts must be the CA because he was the results have been supplied to the control of hearts must be the CA because he would be the control of hearts must be the CA because he would be the control of the control of hearts. control of hearts must be the VA, because he would not raise to a slem without two aces. The picture of dummy suddenly occomes clear; its only gap is in spades, and this is confirmed when we go back over the bidding and grasp why North did not raise immediately from Three No trumps to Six No trumps. So West found the only lead which could break the contract.



When he saw the \$5 on the table and dumenty had appeared, declarer had to decide which of his opponents held the \$A; not surprisingly, he ran the \$6 to his \$4], and lost first the \$Q and then the \$A. The influence of conventional bidding on rubber bridge is growing and needs to he curbed. The author states that these hands were dealt in a rubber; he does not give the score, so I am surinterpret conventional bidding interpret conventional bidding to his advantage.

Of all the entertaining plays, I found West's defence to a stam based on the gambling. Three No. Trumps provided a superb example of the way to reconstruct the band of a declarer whose partner should have been playing it instead of being dummy. The bidding with One Diamond than proceeded:

South West North East the All and the Mexicol that South did not open the bidding with One Diamond to Three Diamonds. West's luck was in finding the declarer with was in finding the declarer with the #J and not the #K, and the whole story reads like a fairy

Edward Mayer

Chess

Ratings and statistics

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rs were weak players.

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by numbers. very so often a player with pretensions to be sater than he really his real worth was aled by his play and s. The classic instance f the Gassk instance for the Yugoslav Boris ho persisted in regard-elf as a world figure umerous setbacks.

oming second to the Hastings Vic-rnament of 1919 he match against the rld champion and was y beaten as to fail to n a draw against him a tour in the Far and interesting to a little of the result who guilelessly asked his intentions were as ne world championship.

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nd indicated that he strong aspirations in rion. This was in the a Alekhine was bearing tes of the world cham-and when Bogoljuboff sowitsch were at their

was only one in a nd the fact that Kostich and found wanting in inal chess was enough by his pretensions in

nodern Kostichs are. by the very means with by are inflated and one que that there is some a rating system that ifficiently as a correc-ises where players are to think of themselves as great masters.

omewhat grudgingly ut my point is that uld be no need for all he rating system had en invented. Moreover, a far too many such curring and recurring

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Intrigued by this poenc statement I went on to look at the list of international title holders to see who was alike to me in rating. Being no longer active, I do not have an Elo-rating under the heading of 1.1.78; but my best five year average rating my best five year average rating is 2,450 which places me in the middle between International and Grandmaster, 2,400 being an IM and 2,500 a gm.

What game shall I give to illustrate the markings of the

What game shall I give to illustrate the workings of the system? How about the following from the great international townsment at Tilburg in the Netherlands in November of this year. It is a game in which Sosonko, with an Elorating of 2,535 has the impertinence to beat a player with a rating of 2,595.
White Sosonko, Black Hübner. Catalan System: Cataian System:

1 P-O4 N-KB3 4 S-N2 PxP 2 P-O84 P-K3 5 N-KB3 P-OR8 3 P-Kn3 P-O4 6 0-0

Or White can prevent Black from playing his next move by 6 P-QR4, to which Black can reply 6... P-B4; 7 O-O, N-B3; and if 8 PxP, QxQ; 9 RxQ, have prevented the Q sortie. N-QR4; 10 N-K5, N-Q2; with a 12 Q-N4 P-R84 14 BxB PxB and games. good game.

However, there is in this line However, there is in this line the possibility of playing a gambit variation with 8 QN-Q2, PxP; 9 NxBP, B-B4; 10 KN-K5, NxN; 11 NxN, O-O; 12 Q-B2, B-R2; 13 K-O1, N-Q4; 14 Q-B4, Q-Q3; 15 N-B3, P-K4; 16 N-N5. B-K3; Golombek-Buwe, Paignon 1951 and not 1952 as Voi E of the Encyclopaedia of the Openings gives it. Clearly

that it is rather like of 2,525, a total that was more Averbakh and Nejstad, who are trying to hold back than the norm for a grandary are responsible for the analysis master (2,500). It seemed that, of this section of the book, cannot not the statistic to the tirle of grandmaster. But the validity of this line since taken over the world nemesis was awaiting him in this country where he played in their numerate and was massacred by players the knight ever was to than 2,300.

That we chess-players are the numerated and was massacred by players with an Ele rating of little more the position so as to utilize the

Here I prefer 6 P.B4. The rext-move retains the pawn but this is at fire cost of both

time and position. 7 K5 N-Q4 8 N-QB3 P-QB3 Up to this move Sosonko has had exactly the same game



Again if 9 . . . BPxN: 10 P-K4, is in White's favour. 10 P-K4 B-K3 12 PxP BxP 11 P-QR4 P-N5 Possibly overlooking White's 14th move; 12 PxP would have prevented the Q sortie.

Forced; 14 . . . PxQ fails against 15 BxKBP ch, K-K2; 16 B-N5 ch. Since if 18 ... PxQ; 19 BxQ, KxB; 20 NxP ch and if 18 ... OxB; 19 Q-B8 ch, Q-Q1; 20 N-B6 dis ch, B-K2; 21 QxQ

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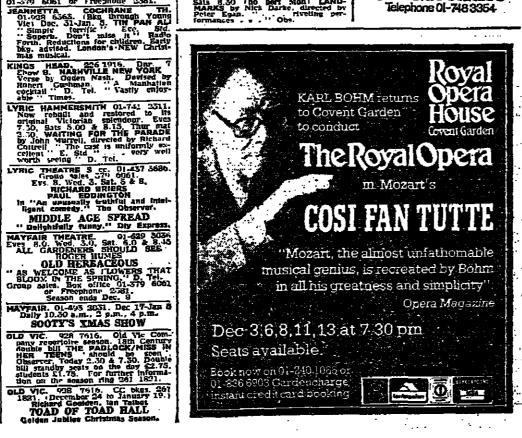
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THE ARTS

A retrospective tribute

The complete retrospective of Bournonville, in the festival offered by the Royal Danish Ballet as a tribute for the hundredth anniversary of the choreographer's death, is for old Bournosville hands providing few surprises, although many attendant pleasures. But for the huge international andience attracted to Copenhagen—many of them critics, directors and choreo-graphers—the week seems to be proving a revelation. Most of the audience has seen kinds or nothing of Bournonville other than La Sylphide, the now ubiquitous Pas de Deux from The Flower Festival at Genzoeo and an excerpt from Napoli. The range and vitality of Bournonville is obviously coming as a complete surprise. In terms of world-wide atten-dance the festival can only be compared with New York City Ballet's Stravinsky Festival held in New York some years ago, yet the nesthetic impact is perhaps much closer to compre-hensive exhibition of paintings by an old master previously nerally revered but less generally seen.

Of the three latest additions to the Danish festival, the sweetly brief La Ventana, The swelly brief the ventura, the King's Volunteers on Amager and Kermesse at Bruges, the first two were least familiar to the festival's American contingent. La Ventana, in an abbreviated fashion, had been seed only this summer when a group of Danish soloists toured America, while Volunteers had been the unexpected hit of the full company's last New York appearance in 1976. Volunters had earlier also been staged

during the company's last trip to the Edinburgh Festival. La Ventana, with its famous pired an episode in Harold Lander's Etudes, and its his-panically-inflected classic danc-ing, is an absolute joy. With the merest thread of a story of a fervent flictation between a señor and a señorita, the piece is almost pure dance and a touchstone of Bournooville style. It was here given twice with great elegance, its casts ted by Mette Honningen and Johnny Ebasen first and then

by Annemari Dybdal and Arne Villamsen. Kermesse and Volunteers with their mixture of classic dance, theatricalized folk dance and mime, their strong characterizations and robust dance images, have much in common, and both were enthusiastically received. I have never

seen either ballet danced with

such flash or spirit.

In Volunteers the visiting Don Juan, Edouard, both a musician and head of the Volunteer, was suavely played by Tommy Fishoi as a man who treated women as pianos, to be played on as much as possible Kirsten Simone, a vet-eran of the companys first visit to London in 1953, proved knowing and graceful as a wife



Ib Andersen in "Kermesse"

who had clearly learned a lest or, Flemming Findt, a deter-son from Mozar's Countess, mined attempt had been made. This is a model of the genre to update some of the old ballet with its realistic settings. Bournouville ballets scenically son from Mozar's Countess.
This is a model of the genre
ballet with its realistic settings and people, its score by V. C. Holm incorporating a lot of Danish folk-music, its pervasive charm and amosphere, its disastrous and the present sephisticated awareness of production, otherwise little difsociety and its sporadic but coruscating classic dance. One fascinating thing about

One fascinating thing about teemth century what belongs to Volunteers is that it was protein in the nineteenth century. The sex to swoon over its ow and in 1871 only one year result here is a delight. This is after the first production of one of Bournonville's most it younger brother with Coppelia. Even more standing beguing ballets, never seen is that Kermesse was preported beguing ballets, never seen in 1851 only 10 years three brothers and an all after the first production of chemist who gives them magic lute. He finds his limple the first production of chemist who gives them magic three dance a passes of the present Kermesse is a production new last to be added that it is perhaps the measurement of the company's previous direction. The finale, when

with what might be called Parisian chic. The results were averagely

ferent from its predecessor, is intended to restore to the nineteenth century what belongs to

relentiessly into a madiy ping St Vitus dance by a ma lute and a manic lutist is of the funniest in all ballet fizzes with energy and gur with fun. splendid, with Mr Eliasen the one given an unconq

ring that causes the oppo

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of view, and strongly so. Frank Davies, the Niger recently out of jail, looks his prison visitor and takes

issue of spending cuts. Mouse is finally pushed to join the bery when his commun

grant is withdrawn. At ever turn, the tale reveals h blacks feel trapped, abused a thwarted in our society. The

three take a terrible revenge

Careering by

Collecting material for this mounts not a full account of column is a bit like a visit to course; we may well never get a giant supermarket in which not only does the floor move of one man by no means privy like a conveyor, but so do the to all that went on; sufficently goods—in the opposite direc-tion. Stop for 20 seconds to assess a packet of biscuits for value, appearance or the pre-sence of suspicious additives and innumerable other comestibles which you also wanted to examine will have gone to examine will have gone careering by. Last week I stopped for comedy and Hi-Fi Theatre, the week before for the Society of Authors/Pye Radio Awards. The result? Some eight or 10 or even 12 programmes of real interest and substance are already way down the line and just about to vanish round the about to vanish round the bend. The Putney Debates is only one example, Jack Emery's reconstruction for radio of the meeting of the General Council of Cromwell's New Model Army in Purney Church during the autumn of 1647, an event astonishingly preserved in seventeenth century shorthand. Directed by Piers Plowright was used quiet Fulham Church for the occasion (Putney now stands beside a major traffic intersection), this splendid programme persuaded me that 332 years had simply been wiped out, that by some miracle I had been permitted to eavesdrop and this illusion was fostered not merely by the conviction of the acting and of the general pattern of sound, but by the matters of the debate itself (suffrage, for example, and of Cromwell's New Model Army (suffrage, for example, and property) which were not seriously to be raised again for many, many years thereafter, to the extent that they are

issues to this day.

What else went by? One of the best yet Kaleidoscope. specials, The Matter of Arthur which was allowed 45 minutes. to survey the background to still ask contemporously who the legends, their manifesta and what these Balestinians are tions over the years and the One speaker, a West Bank tions over the years and the One speaker, a West Bank extraordinary imaginative hold settler, tactfully invited them to they continue to exercise Paul. remember who are the masters Vaughan presented, John now I believe if I were an Powell produced: in the Israeli, I would feel this pair absence of other credits they of programmes had not an of the continue of the credits they of programmes had not an other credits they of programmes the credits the c presumably created this attractive feature between them: of the world. At the same time, Radio, like TV. has been and perhaps they reflected this, observing ("celebrating" is not it may be that the world has the world we want) the twenty begun to register with more than former clarity the fact third anniversary of the Shen-debacle. Suez 1956: Neither War nor Peace at 10 Downing. War nor Peace at 10 Downing-Street (producer Anthony Mont-crieff) was a conversation bet-tween Michael Charkon and William Clark who was Anthony Eden's Public Rela-tions Adviser at the time of the crisis. Both speakers sounded thoroughly relaxed and informal so that the programme as a whole presented us with a truly vivid account of what

was happening in Downing Street during those troubled

course: we may well never get that and this was the version knowledgeable however to state that from July 26—the day Nasser nationalized the Canal—Eden undoubtedly intended military action, not only to regain control of the Canal, but

regain control of the Canal, but to topple Masser too.

The restless Middle East today—or at least a part of it—has been the subject of a useful pair of programmes: Peter Mansfield's The Palestmans and an edition of File on 4 about the present condition of Israel. Mr Mansfield is a sympathetic observer of the Palestinian scene: although his avowed intention was simply to tell his listeners what the term "Palestinians" now means and not to dwell upon the justice or otherwise of their cause and methods of pursuing it, the methods of pursuing it the programme nevertieless created a strong impression of a people who, having in many cases made the very best of their own diaspora, deserve better of life than they are getting; people who would settle for a West Bank/Gaza state and regard it as abstard to suggest that, if granted that, they would leopardise it by attempting military conclusions with powerful Israel. This, of course is to skirt round the possibility that they might acquire unscrupulous and equally powerful allies. hous and equally powerful allies. From within Israel, David Heushaw's report was of a very mixed situation, one of appalling economic crisis for a start. As for artitudes towards the Palestinians, there were many who declared sympathy for some

form of autonomy, if nor state hood, but they were balanced —in fact, they sounded to be outweighed by others who reject this and by a few who proved my standing in the eyes of the world. At the same time, it may be that the world has begun to register with more than former clarity the fact that because Israel is where she is, other people are, quite involuntarily, somewhere else; and has because to seek if

Play for Today BBC 1

Josh Bakewell

Ightharmore on today's pages how prison officers had there is news both of hostages jetted his complaints of the lively black cockney, recall there is news both of hostages jetted his complaints of the Rassafarian, has drop out of white university in presents blast and counter the Rassafarian, has drop out of white university in a school for black children a shum basement. All three committed to some concept those into topical for examination the results of the committed to some concept that chines december and that brings us to connected the connected the connected to some concept the connected to some connected to some concept the connected to some concept the connected to some connected

chance of genuine insight.

A. Hole in Babylon offered both and coincidentally, on those same two topics, in September, 1975, three young blacks broke into the Knights bridge Specheni Hoose intending to steal the takings being checked by the group's managers. The robbery was bringled, the alarm given, the managers held hostage for five days. The crime made headlines and led the relevision news: it appalled everyone.

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A Hole in Babylon retold the story of that siege with all the sleek palish of a thriller morie. But it had more sectors intent. For its director, Rorace Ove, and his cowriter Jim Hawkins, had sought out the background story of the three blacks and ser before us in an intricate series of flashbacks the impulses and morives that brought them to attempt such a reckthem to attempt such a reck-less, inept and misconceived crime. It was no whitewash job

Horace Ove is a fine fil maker. He makes beautiful i dazzle of hot sun on wet pa ments, cuts and places editing so the excitement net flags, and uses. West ladi music as strong foregron commentary. My only reser-tion is that he has burden himself with too didactic script. There are several s pieces of political expositi that make stilted conversation His actors are far more e quent in their instriculate 12 at the evident squalor in whi

Little Eyolf Leicester

Ned Chaillet Nature itself is the seemingly

supernatural agent that raises ghosts of conscience in the late, oddly mystical dramas of Henrik Ibsen. In Little Egolf, it is a losen. In Little Egolf, it is a retreat to the mountains that turns. Alfred Albners away from his life's work, a treatise on The Responsibility of Man, sconcern over the welfare signals of understanding and signals of u to a concern over the welfare of his crippled son, Eyolf. On the day be announces that new dedication, it is the sea that claims the life of Eyelf, pulling the boy away from a fetty to his death.

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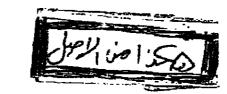
There are, in effect, two Meyer, has an effective natural Eyolfs to be dealt with. Allmers's son with his wife, the ness which keeps the play all wealthy Rita, is the second to even when the performance bear the name, and the first less than compelling. It is the was not even a boy, but Allmers's half-sixter, Asta. The major production has been nounted in Rritand and the bad clear carnel components. and has begun to ask if as love between Allmers and Asta major production has been many Israelis are aware of that and of its consequences as might be hoped.

Oh dear, despite all my best intentions, the conveyor has gone past me, bearing with it. Radio 3's Surgery on the Mind. Perhaps next week I can require the course of the play. The course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play. The course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play. The course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play. The course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play. The course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play will release the restraint of the course of the play will release the restraint of the play will release the restraint of the play t mentions, the conveyor has one past me, bearing with it gone past me, bearing with it mices and reveal that Asia was notice of Irma Le Douce. Receives some more.

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but not everyone in Michs Meachem's production equally at home. The cent flaw is Malcolm Sinciair's rig interpretation of Allmers 1 stead of playing a man he pla his repression. He annount his phases of growing enlights ment with a rigidity that signs he might have swallow a flagpole.

great range of expression, fro love to despair, which illumi ate their scenes, but they fi to cast off the gloom which h been unnecessarily ladled on The translation, by Micha





ten then, you might think that to put on The.

Lights again today (BBC 2, 4.25) is squeezing the pips i given these times of economic stringency at the Plater's film tells how three Eddystone lighthouses Thater's film tells how three Eddystone lighthouses and how one of them was knocked down by the le other was burnt down by a double necklace of is a cunningly made film; you think you are seeing a than you actually are. This illusion is created by use of models and graphics and by mixing in live nences that show just a bit of the picture and leave it gination to fill in the rest. It is just as sparing in actors, but the producer, Christopher La Fontaine is meagre cast so expertly that one feels he could do the Exodus using no more than two Israelites. he Exodus using no more than two Israelites

misgivings about Wiener Blut (BBC 2, 7.30), the film Strauss's operetts, arise from the fact that it was on stage, where it rightly belongs, but in and around here it is set. Trees and brickwork tend to get in music when that music was intended for a world of music when that music was intended for a work. Lillusion. The realistic scene changes might, however, ter to understand the complex plot.

dom comments about today's radio programmes ry young children should not be encouraged to listen rman's comments about Santa Claus grottoes in (Radio 4, 9.05 am). Mr Norman is notoriously about commercialism, and he could seriously many a fond parent's best-laid Christmas schemes . ceith, practically unmatched as a comedy actress, shows her dramatic side in tonight's Just Before dependable Eileen Atkins ... The Saturday Night ay, Alibi for a Judge (Radio 4, 8.30) has Andrew in the leading role. It is a comedy, based on one of Ps books, and if the Radio Times cast credit bers of the Central Criminal Court has got you must tall you that you will not been actual court. must tell you that you will not bear actual court aying themselves, only actors playing court officials. matter of ambiguity.

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TELEVISION

BBC 1

9.65 am Cut and Thrust: fencing 9.65 am (t) He may him a property (t) 9.30 Multi-Coloured Swap Shop : elaborately conceived show for children. Guests are botanist David Bellamy and comenty actor. Dos Espelie, of It Ain't Haif Hot, Mum. Estelle; of It Ain't Haif Hot, Mum. 12.15 pm Grandstand: includes 12.20 Foothell Focus, Racing from Chepstow at 1.00, 1.30 and 2.00, Boxing at 1.10 and 1.40, Snooker (the Coral Championship) at 2.10, 2.50 and 4.05, Swimming at 2.30 and 4.25. Cricket (Australia v West Indies), at 3.10, Rugby League (John Player Trophy final) at 3.20, Final Score at 4.40.

5.15 News: with Richard Baker.
5.30 The Basil Brush Show: guests are The Three Degrees and Hugh Paddick. Paddick.
6.00 Dr Who: part 2 of Nightmare of Eden.
6.25 Larry Grayson's Generation Game: Mr Grayson and Isla St Clair with more awkward contest-

ants doing their best.
7.26 Secret Army: Second World War adventure series. Tonight: Natalie and Alain reach the Allied spearhead and Monique and Kessspearmend and Adoughe and Kess-ler disappear.

S.15 Mike Yarwood in Persons: last of the present series. Mr Yar-wood takes off the panel of Blan-kety Blank and Janet Brown takes on Esther Rantzen and Marti

Caine.

8.45 Dallas: stories of an oil-rich texan family. Toxigh: domestic crisis over a genetic disorder that could deplete the ranks of the

could deplete the ranks of the Ewings.

9.35 News: with Richard Baker.

9.45 Match of the Day: highlights from two of today's First Division football games. Also, result of the Goal of the Month compension.

18.45 Parkinson:

11.45 Weather. Closedown at 11.50.

11.15 am Open University. 14.15 Magnus Magnusson with an Open Form. 12.05 pm Consumer Deci-sions. Closedown at 12.30. 2.25 Film: The Rainbow Jacket (1954). Ealing comedy drama, scripted by the great T. E. B. Clarke, about a young apprentice jockey (Fella Edmonds). Others in the cast: Bill Owen, Robert Morley. Edward Underdown. Director: Basil Dearden. 4.00 Play Away: sketches and

music for the young. Nerys. Hughes, one of the Liver Birds, is Borizon: The Eddystone

9.40 The Beachcombers: made-in-

10.05 Superman: the mystery of the Anti-Superstition Society.

10.30 Tiswas: totally uninhibited show for the children. Includes

12.30 pm World of Sport: 12.35 On the Ball; 1.00 Baseball, world series final: Baltimore Orioles v Pittsburg Pirates; 1.15 News; 1.20 The ITV Seven: racing from San-

London Weekend 8.40 Sesame Street: learning made easy for children.

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unizzes and pop music.

Lights, repeat showing of the dramatized documentary about the building of three Eddystone lighthouses (see Personal Choice).

5.15 Something Else: pop music, and some serious comments, from the young people of Belfast.

5.55 Cricket: First Test. Australia v West Indies at Brisbane. Satellite coverage of first-day highlights.

6.25 A Diary of Britain: repeat screening of last week's documentary about the work of the Dover Harbour Board.

7.05 News and sport.

7.20 Wiener Blut: the Strauss operetta, filmed in Vienna (see Personal choice).

9.00 Film International: Na'apet (1978) Armenian film, by Henrik

Malian, about a man whose family have been massacred by the Turks during the First World War. (See Derek Robinson's Films on Televi-

Derek Robinson's Films on Television.)
10.30 Year of the Child Concert:
rock music show from the Wembley Arena. With Cat Stevens, David
Essex, Gary Numan, Sky. The Real
Thing and Wishbone Ash.
11.30 News and weather.
11.35 Film: The Life of Emile
Zola* (1937). William Dieteric's
screen biography of the French
writer stars Paul Muni. It won the
year's Oscar for best film, and
deals with Zola's campaign to clear
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down at 1.30, 2.00, 2.30 and 3.00 and from Market Rasen at 1.45, 2.15, 2.45. At 3.10 Darts (Winmau World Masters): 3.50 Half-time football results; 4.00 Wrestling; 4.50 Results Service. 5.05 News.

5.05 News. 5.15 Happy Days: American come-5.15 Happy Days: American comeday series, set in the 1950s.
5.45 Chips: California Highway Parrol adventures.
6.45 Mind Your Language: weak comedies about a language school. Tonight: the only way a German student can stay in Britain.
7.15 The lacredible Rulk: a widow and exignits. Banner are framed. scientist Banner are framed

8.15 Preddie Starr's Variety Mad-house: comedy show. 9.00 The Professionals: secret scrvice thriller. Tonight: a security leak. With Gordon Jackson. 10.00 News and Sport. 10.15 Two People: serial about teenagers in love. Not at all sickly

and sentimental.

11.15 Saturday Night People: a sort of gossip column of the small screen. With Russell Harty, Clive James, Janet Street-Porter.

12.00 Tropic: suburban absurdities, from the Leslie Thomas book.

Tombhr a bousehart sinks Tonight: a bouseboat sinks. 12.30 am Poems ;Roy Hudd reads

Films on TV

The most intriguing prospect of the week is tonight's presentation, (BBC2, 9.00) of an Armenian feature, Henrik Malian's Na'apet. There is rarely any opportunity to see films made in the republics of the Soviet Union, and certainly not when they deal with a historical subject still so controversial in the USSR as the Turkish slaughter of the Armenians in 1915.

At 11.35 on BEC2, there is the first of two films starring Paul Muni, who in the thirties was rated the finest actor on the screen. The Life of Emile Zola, one of Warner Brothers' prestigious series of historical biographies, was directed by

William Dieterle in 1937. Dieterle's account of the celebrated writers defence of Alfred Dreyfus, the Jewish officer wrongfully convicted of spying and sent to Devil's Island in 1895, was also an oblique commentary on the situation in his native Germany in the thirties. On Friday (BBC2, 9.00) Muni is again seen as a man wrongfully convicted and punished in I Am a Fugitive From a Chain Gang, made in 1932 by another Warner star director of the period, Mervyn Leroy. William Dieterle in 1937.

Mervyn Leroy.
Tomorrow night at 11.30 on Tomorrow night at 11.30 on BBC2 there is Conrad Rocks's adaptation of Herman Hese's Siddhartha, which makes up for its dramatic shortcomings

Sven Nykvist's fine colour photography of Indian location. After that the week is dominated by light entertainment, British and light entertainment, British and American. From Britain there is The Rainbow Jacket (today, BBC2, 2.25), a mild Ealing racing melodrama; I Was Monty's Double (tomorrow, BBC1, 2.05), John Guillermin's cheerful adventure story whose title relis all; Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines (tomorrow, BBC1, 7.15), sub-Round the World, lumbering gamely on with its load of stars. The President's Analyst (Friday, BBC1, 10.50) is an undisciplined but funny political farce, written and directed by the pleasantly named Theodore J. Flicker.

by David Robinson

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RADIO

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8.00 News. 8.10 Sport on 4. 8.45 Today's Papers. 8.50 Yesterday in Parliament.

Radio 4

9.50 News Stand. 10.05 The Week in Westminster, 10.30 Daily Service, 10.45 Pick of the Week. 10.43 Pick of the Week. 11.35 International Assignment. 12.00 News. 12.02 pm Money Box. 12.27 Comedy First.† 12.55 Weather.

12.55 Weather.
1.00 News.
1.10 Any Questions ?
2.00 News.
2.65 Wildlife.
2.30 Play: Daybreak, by Arthur Schmizler.
3.30 Does He Take Sugar ?
4.00 News.

4.00 News 4.02 There Were Giants in T Days (4).
4.30 Time for Verse.
4.40 The Magic of Music.†
5.25 Week Ending.†
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6.60 News.
6.15 Desert Island Discs.
6.55 Stop the Week.
7.35 Baker's Dozen.†
8.30 Play: Alibi for a Ju adacted from Henry Cecil.†
10.00 News.
10.15 Encore.
11.00 Lighten Our Darkness. 4.02 There Were Giants in Those

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11.15 The Spinners.†
11.45 Play: The Hospital Visitor.
12.03 News. weather.
12.15 am-12.23 Inshore forecast.

6.55 am Regional news, weather. 7.55 Regional news, weather. 10.30 Inside Parliament.

5.55 am Cricket: Australia v West 8.10 News. 8.15 Records: Farnaby, Benjamin, Gardaer.† 8.33 Rurai Rhymes.

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Bridge, Bliss.†
8.10 Talk (Alexander Cochr):
Modern Music and Society.†
8.30 BBCSO: Britten.†
9.00 Talk: Return to Indiana.
10.05 Quartets: Haydn, Mendels-

11.00 Story: The Great Fish Trial. 11.15 Ivor Gurney: the Poet and his Songs (4).† 11.55-12.00 News. Radio 2

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1.30-6.00 Sport on 2: Football Special; Test cricket; Racing; Special; Test cricket; Racing; Sports Report. 6.03 Europe '79: Syael. 7.02 Beat the Record. 7.30 Radio 2 Top Tunes.† 8.02 Syd Lawrence and His Orchestra.† 8.30

Semprini Serenade.† 9.30 Big Band Special† 10.02 Rilversum Greets Radio 2.† 11.02 Sports Desk. 11.10 Ray Muore.† 2.63-6.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2, 7.00 News. 7.63 Playground 8.00 Ed Stewart. 10.00 Tony Blackburn, 1.00 pm Adrian Juste. † 2.00 Paul Gambacum. † 4.00 Rock On. † 5.30 It's Rock 'n' Roll. † 6.31 In Concert. † 7.30 Peter Powell. 10.00 Al Matthews. 12.00-6.00 am As Radio 2

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ader as Lieutenant Mary Barker, with young Sally Ann (ITV, 6.00)

ears's film A Question of Faith (BBC 2, 9.05) is toy and death and about Ivan Hyich and death. Ivan e central character in Tolstoy's celebrated story. g, in pain. On the very brink of the abyss, he realizes as lived. Extinction comes in a blinding flash; s over. Death is the only reality, the final truth. The ost of its running time, is a dramatization of of Ivan Hyich, superbly acted by Alan Dobie. But what its done, memorably, is to superimpose Ivan as done, memorably, is to superimpose Ivan and death over Tolstoy's own, like a sheet of tracing then pencil in with delicate strokes the lines common to both men. The question that dangles, bly, over the end of the film is: did the fleeing his railway station death-bed, have the same moment revelation that he gave to Ivan Dyich?

Morgan's five-part adaptation of Vera Brittain's phy Testament of Youth (BBC 2, 10.30), which I ed almost to the point of tedium, ends tonight.

I suppose, the curtain falls with a sense of . The Great War, with its slaughter of those men I, is over and now she must find some outlet for her grief. She reads history at Oxford and becomes a d political animal. The stars and with no more force d political animal. The story ends with no more force 1yr. I suppose you could say that after all the battering to which Miss Morgan has subjected us past few weeks, we are entitled to this dying fall.

nn (ITV, 6.00) Southern Television's networked series Salvation Army, has both its head and its heart in clace. These little dramas, woven out of fact I day's story is about a blind old lady) fit snugly into ay spot, but they would add distinction to many a hedule.

ded the astringency with which successive of One Pair of Ears (Radio 3, 4.10) have reviewed music broadcasts on radio. Nothing but good can of critical programmes like this. Today's ears belong to en... The performance of Le nozze di Figuro 2.30) is from this year's Salzburg Festival, with iri Te Kanawa, Edith Mathis and José Van Dam. Klee conducts the Vienna Philharmonic.

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Sunday's programmes

TELEVISION

BBC1 8.55 Bod: the story of Bod and the Cake (r). 9.10 The Sunday Gang: off-beat religious show for children. In-cludes a musical tale about Babylon. 9.30 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan: for Asian viewers. 10.00 Your Own Business : a plan for small firms. 18.40 Roadsbow Disco: music. dance and talk from the young people of Dundee (r).

11.05 Telé-France: repeat of Allez 11.05 Tele-France repeat of Anez les Verts. 11.30 Avventura; part 10 of Italian lessons for beginners. 11.55 Make Your Own Furniture: upholstered seating. 12.20 Sunday Worship: from St. John's Parish Church, Hythe. 1.00 Parming: magazine pro-gramme. gramme.

1.25 A Child's Place: the shortage of playing areas for children.

2.00 News.

2.05 Film: I Was Monty's Double

(1958). Clifton James plays himself—a Pay Corps lleutenant used as a decoy during the Second World War. With John Mills, Cecil Park. Director: John Guillermin.

3.45 Sideways Round Britain: what have been seen that the lowbard is the lowbard. 3.45 Sideways Round Britain: what it, was like to drive in the Lombard RAC Rally. Reports from Paddy Hopkirk and Diane Harron.
4.30 World Latin American Dance Championships: from Switzerland.
5.00 Emu's Broadcasting Company (EBC 1): Rod Hull and his bellicase outfold in a new spries. cose ostrich in a new series. 5.25 News; with Peter Woods. 5.25 News; with Peter Woods.
5.35 Rising Stars: grand final of the talent contest.
6.25 Roadshow Info: with the young people of Plymouth.
6.35 Terry Wogan: an appeal on behalf of Children in Need of Care.
6.40 Songs of Praise: from Logie Kirk, Stirling.
7.15 Film: Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines (1965)
Long (too long) but often hilarious account of a 1910 air race from London to Paris. Too many comedy actors in the cast to men-

tion individually, but TerryThomas is a splendid villain.
9.20 Shoestring: high quality
series about a radio station reporter. Tonight: doubts about a
beauty queen's murder.
10.15 News: with Peter Woods.
10.25 The Virgin and the Red
Flag: the Portuguese shrine of
Patima, placed in a political context. 11.00 Illusions of Reality : the 1930 newsreels and the rearmamen issue.
11.25 Steam into Summer: progress report on the Dart Valley Railway, from Buckfastleigh to Totnes.
11.55 Weather. Closedown at 12.00.

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: Scotland: 12.20 pm Advent Sunday Worship. 1.00 Lands ward 1.25 Lan Sep. 1.00 pm 1.00 Lands to 1.00 pm 1.00 Lands pm 1.00 pm 1.00 lands weeker. SEC Water: 1.00 pm Farming. 2.05 High Chaparral. 2.50 Emu: Broadcasting Company. 3.15 Sports Unicip. 4.35 Rhugen Hive Cwyniryn. 11.55 News and weather. Regland: 12.00 midnight Close.

BBC 2 10.50 am Open University. 10.50 Moths, flies. 11.15 First Years of Life. 11.40 Energy in home. 12.05 pm OU Societies. Close down at 12.30.

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2.25 Chronicle: Battle for the Acropolis. The human and metallic threat to the famous monuments.

3.15 Cricket: First Test, Second day's play in the Australia v West Indies match.

3.45 Rugby Sperial: the Northampton v Lianelli clash.

4.40 Film: Good News (1947). June Allyson and Peter Lawson in a goodish MGM musical set on a university campus. university campus.

London Weekend

some pop singers (r).

1.00 om Cartoons.

9.05 am Helping Hand: making the disabled feel more wanted.

9.30 Play Guitar : another free lesson from Ulf Goran.

10.00 Morning Worship: from Priory Road Methodist Church, Doncaster.

11.00 Getting Out : an old woman

11.30 The Monkees: comedy about

12.00 Weekend World: After the EEC summit in Dublin-what

1.45 Police 5: helping hand for Scotland Yard, With Shaw Taylor.

2.00 University Challenge: Bamber Gascoigne chairs another general knowledge programme.

2.30 The Big Match: action from three of yesterday's big football

6.08 Rugby League results.
6.10 News Review: with visual commentary for the hard of hearing. name of MG.
7.15 The World About Us: Zulu Wilderness. Travel-book writer Laurens van der Post takes his young granddanghter to the Umfolozi reserve in Zululand.
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Death of Ivan Hyich. Tolstoy's life and death, in parallel with a fictional representation (see Personal

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6.40 The Money Programme: special on-the-spot report on Iran's economy. Also: keeping alive the name of MG.
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3.30 Film: Battle of the VI*
(1958) Michael Rennie in warding
adventure yarn about the Polish
underground. Directed, on a
modest scale, by Version Sewell. Bill Haley who appears with his Comets in the Royal Variety Show (ITV, 7.45)

5.30 Quest of Eagles: Tyneside treasure bunt story for children with Robert Urquhart and Ferdy Mayne. 6.00 Sally Ann: fictional stories about the Salvation Army and its good works (see Personal Choice). 6.30 News. 6.40 Come Sunday at Christ-church: another visit to the photo-genic Norman priory. Music and words (beautifully spoken by Anthony Quayle). 7.15 The Glums: TV version of the old BBC radio series. Tonight: Ron in hospital. With Jimmy Edwards, Ian Lavender, Patricia Brake. Ian Lavender, Patricia Brake.
7.45 The Royal Variety Performance: recording of last week's show from the Theatre Royal. Drury Lane. Artistes include Yul Brynner, Carol Channing, Boney M, Hinge and Bracket, James Calway, Bill Haley and the Comets, Marti Caine, Gemma Craven, Virginia McKenna, Ned Sherrin and Elaine Stritch.
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10.30 The SOUTH Bank Show:
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director Francis Coppola, whose
new film Apocalypse Now. about
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11.30 Celebrity Concert: by the singer Robertz Flack.

12.30 am Poetry: Roy Hudd is the

6.33 am Shipping forecast.

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9.00 News.
9.10 Sunday Papers.
9.15 Letter From America.
9.30 Morning Service.
10.15 The Archers.
11.15 Weekend Woman's Hour.
12.00 A Touch of Genius (2).
12.30 pm The Food Programme.
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World This Weckend.
1.40 Feedback.
2.00 News.
2.05 Gardeners' Question Time.

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2.30 Play: Rudin, by Turgenev.
4.00 News.
4.02 Talking About Antiques. 4.30 The Living World. 5.00 Weigh-in: Dieting. 5.15 Down Your Way. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News. 6.00 News.
6.15 You, the Jury.†
6.00 Reith Lectures (4).
6.30 Fanshawe (African Sanctus).†
7.30 Mr Garrick of Drury Lane.
8.00 In Praise of God.†
9.00 News.
9.03 Men at Arms (2).†
9.00 Inquiry: Who Pays the
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10.15 The Great Armada Treasure Hunt. 11.00 Epilogue † 11.15 With Great Pleasure. 11.15 With Great Pleasure. 12.00 News, weather. 12.15-12.23 am Inshore forecast.

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7.30-7.50 am Open University:
Community Education Preparatory

8.05 Weather.
8.10 News.
8.15 Violin (Kreisler): Kreisler,

Beethoven (op 47). 9.00 News. 9.05 Records: Rimsky-Korsakov (Scheherazade), Stravinsky (Rue,

Acts I and II.† 4.10 One Pair of Ears. 4.25 Le nozze di Figaro Acts III and IV.† 6.00 Reith Lectures (4).

Artist?
10.00 Violin (Perlman): Bach (Partita 1).† 10.30 Berg's Lyric Suite: talk and British premiere of complete work.† 11.55-12.00 News.

Radio 2 Programme.
9.30-10.15 Open University: Consumer Decisions; Consumer Groups; The Pre-School Child—You Tell Us; Music Interlude.
2.00-5.00 pm Study on 4: Kein Problem (10); Sur le Vif (10): Por aqui 110); Let's Go Into Practice

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6.00 am News, weather. 6.03 Sam on Sunday.† 7.30 Nick Page.† 8.04
David Jacobs.† 10.02 Benny Green.† 11.30 People's Service.
11.55 The Choice is Yours. 12.02 pm Family Favourites.† 1.30 Listen to Les.† 2.02 Alan Dell.† 3.02 Peter Clayton.† 4.02 Two's

(2); Meditation (1); Principles of Counselling; Helping with Health (2); World Powers in the Twentieth Century (10).

Radio 3

5.55 am Cricket: Australia v West Indies.

8.05 Weather.

8.10 News.

Best.† 5.02 Sing Something Simple.
5.20 Charlie Criester. 7.02 Brain of Sport 1979.
7.30 Clamorous Nights. 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour.
9.02 Your 100 Best Tunes.
16.02 The Peter Goodwright Show.
16.30 Songs of Protest (9).
11.05 Ray Muorc. 2.03 am5.00 You and the Night and the Music.†

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9.00 News.

9.05 Records: Rimsky-Korsakov (Scheherazade), Stravinsky (Rite, 2 pnos.).†

10.30 Music Weekly.†

11.20 BBC Northern SO/Herblg: Bruckner (Sym 9).†

12.20 pm Chamber music: Haydn, Martinu, Mozart (K516).†

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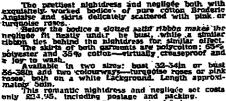
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So I make no excuse for returning to a subject I have written shout several times, because I think many of my readers may me have been

ordansy beach.

I have been taked to elaborate a little my remarks about the mic circulating han I mentioned last week, particularly in respect of my statement that it reduces or prevents the fucidence of models and mildows on plant fellage. It does two things First by keeping the air moving it prevents mosture from condensant and this largest prevents disease apares. worried in the past about the heating costs of a greenhouse. Most plants that the amateur wishes to grow in a greenhouse will thrive in an air temperature which does not fall below 45 F ar night, provided they have a root temperature of 55-60 F. Now no matter what kind of fuel is used to heat the air in the greenhouse to 45 F it casts twice as much the leaves of plants, and that largely prevents these spaces from now on, when night temperatures fall rapidly, preventing or minimizing the condensed moisture falling on the leaves is important, especially if one is usually stand of semi-automatic substringation or the semi-automatic substringation of the sept automatic standing on benches of moist sanding the atmosphere is moister than it would not make be.

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I once did some tests in one of my greenhouses with a facassisted heater and found there was a difference of as much as 14. F between the floor temperature and that at the roof. When we installed the fan the difference was reduced to 4 degrees and mist have effected a cumiderable the spaces between poes with moist pear to keep the hear around the roots. If pors are stood on the bare sand the son

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Roy H

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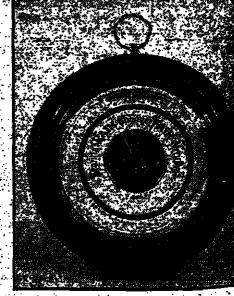
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The effortless grace of Venice

eling can quite match the sensification, contever, one feels when oneself back in familitoundings after a proabsence. Sometimes are not merely as good recalls them, but have improved.

was my mood in Three years and more said it over the greywaters of the lagion, we motor boat opining ouncing between the coden posts that mark in from the airport. Jears and more since I ked its narrow streets, ed the stepped bridges.

The ferry goes to the rail
adore or detest, but about which you cannot be indifferent.

Juring the years when twich you cannot be indifferent.

I find it hard to keep up with the various experts who warn darkly of the city's future in a watery grave, of the industrial pollution and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the famous Harry's Bar and the forces of nature threaten ing its buildings and its art treasures. They seem to disagree about the time scale of the city's the famous Florian's restaurant of Quadri's opposite. That o ooden posts that mark in from the airport. ears and more since I lked its narrow streets, ed the stepped bridges a still and dark canals,

Bridge.

The ferry goes to the railway station, but I left it at the Pontile Ca d'Oro, the stop after the Rialto, so as to make my way on foot back to St. Mark's, after pausing at Ca d'Oro itself. It is typical of the priaces which Venetian nobility built for themselves in the 15th century, extravagantly decorated with columns and capitals and archways. g the absence I had my memories and grown richer with the of time, as a good wine after dinner tale grows The return—the could have upset those s. But it did not. was as I remembered capitals and archways. Edward Gibbon did not like

Edward Gibbon did not like Venice, regretting that its "stinking ditches" were dignified with "the pompous denomination of canals". He thought its houses were old and ill-built, but reserved his greatest contempt for its major attractions — "a fine bridge spoilt by two rows of houses on it, and a large square decorated with the worst architect. were too many people of course. Packs of on day trips from the f Lido di Jesolo and e along the Adriatic thronged the great So many congregate t Mark's Basilica that ides have to hold up identifying symbol, a bright umbrella, to a their broods and tell orated with the worst architec-ture I ever yet saw ".

Many years later D. H. Law-rence called it "an abhorrent, green, slippery city", and others have expressed them-selves as violently. In this regard Venice is like New York—a city which you either that they should be one of life's small that people should om all parts of the , see this city and its

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make independent holiday arrangements in Venice, purchasing your own air ticket and using the services of hotel booking agencies (or calling direct some hotel you recall with pleasure from a previous pict). If you wish to review inclusive holidays to Sovereign use the Royal Excelsion, the ind the Saturnia hotels week long arrange. The current brochure vicit). If you wish to travel right away, however, the return fare alone will cost £175.50, tourist class. Book that a week is £142 to bas sids of descent ses a supplement may be paid because of same return fare a month ahead, however, and the airline will charge just £81. Shop around the air travel brokers and you should be able to chop at least £6 off that price. schedule British Air-Alitalia flights, Keser four day holidays mcordia or Metropole m £107, or week long

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As for hotels, many are represented by booking agencies in London and any competent stavel agent should be able to provide information and make bookings for you. In addition Inalberghi, of 105, North Road, Kew Gardens, Surrey, offer a booking service to hotels in Venice and other Italian cities. other companies with pliday arrangements to regasus use the hotel ing by Monarch Airm Luton. The basic price for three nights: ly £99. te 13 different hotels ty, scheduled Alizalia

of special charters to iombination of 3, 4, 5, night holidays. As an entire to travel at this Hugh Honour's Companion Guide to Verice first appeared in 1965 but was revised and republished in 1977 as a £3.95 paperback. It is well worth taking along. include a booklet of which provide shop-omus, free entry to galleries, etc, and rice admission to the

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Without scientific qualifica-tions. I am not going to add my voice to that particular argument. But I do believe the argument. But I do believe the time has come for the city to exert some measure of control and to livit numbers of day trippers, especially in high summer. It is as true of Venice as of anywhere else that the very presence of visitors ruins what they have come to admire—in this case the serenity of the city itself.

Very many people from Britain choose a short stay holiday—a weekend in autumn or spring being favourite. This gives one insufficient time to explore Venice thoroughly, but

explore Venice thoroughly, but

explore Venice thoroughly, but at least it where the appetite for a return visit—and that was the opinion of everyone I met there who had travelled on such a short break holiday.

Having said that, however, it must be added that some sights are irresistible. So plunge into the busy square and find a table on its edge. Linger over coffee (it's expensive enough!) and watch the world go by.

The Merceria dell'Orologio.

a square grand enough to
absorb the crowds, is a delight
in the evening when the pedlars take over. All manner of
souvenirs are hawked, from yosouvenirs are hawked, from yoyos that light up to elastic-powered birds that glide and
swoop through the evening
sky. And the young artists sell
their works, or busy themselves creating instant portraits. One imagines that this
is how the square has always
been used, a market place as
well as a meeting place.

As for souvenirs in general

As for souvenirs in general, most visitors settle for a glass ornament from Murano, either a delicately worked animal, a smooth leaping fish, or even an ornately decorated lamp. Some buy bags or belts or leatherwork, all of which is a bargain.

I cannot, however, I cannot, however, imagine who would purchase what must surely be some of the most tasteless geegaws in all of Europe—revolving gondolas with tiny fairy lights upon them, and a musical box ballerina, or objects of a religious nature (more or less) set about with the shells and about with sea shells and highly varnished.

If, however, you follow the tourist crowd along the Merceria dell'Orologio vou will eventually reach the Ponte di Rialto and, crossing it, come to the markets where truit and vegetables and fish are sold. Pure theatre, this, and worth parronting on your last morning before flying home, as you may bring back fresh produce at very low cost.

The winter and spring break helidays I mention are sold by

holidays I mention are sold by a number of companies. and I believe the best arrangements are those which provide simply bed and breakfast accommoda-tion, leaving you free to search out the restaurants which suit your taste and your pocket-

your taste and your pocket. The city has very many and part of a holiday's enjoyment lies in discovering these.

I recall particularly a tiny restaurant close to a canal near the Palazzo Priuli whose owner tempted me in with samples of fried squid and some sharp white wine to wash them down. The meal that followed was quite excellent, but lowed was quite excellent, but in truth I cannot recall one in that city that was not, whether taken in such a simple estab-lishment or in the slightly grander places whose menus were more elaborate, whose clientele were rarely Venetians and whose prices, though higher, were not extravagantly

That is, I suppose, the "real" Venice that awaits discovery, along with the palaces and monuments to which the guidebooks will direct any visitor. For me, anyway, it is the aspect of Venice I prefer, and the one that holds the pleasantest memories.

John Carter



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Twelve years between Giselles

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Stevenson is a prime example.

I don't know what condition
the Houston Ballet was in
three years ago when he took
it over—but certainly I didn't
hear much about it. In three
years Stevenson has clearly
created some kind of Texan
mixacle. He has formed a small
her motor company s Hall. The bailet was not the company was guest artists, Carla crik Bruhn and Cyngegory which is a od way to be led. see the company the other weekend. dancing Giselle—in

hut major company.

How can you tell this on the
strength of three performances
of Giselle? Well, believe me. I had not danced it at the years between— time there were no cists, three different d the very healthy major American comhave seen about 400 Giselles in my time, and I can tell. What I can't tell is how creative the company is—but it has some as happened to the lovely, promising dancers all working in an homogenous style, and it would be a great instrument for any choreog-Ballet can be summed words-Ben Srevenre are some conducbuild and train Georg Szeli was

The production of Giselle was by Peter Wright, director of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet in London. Wright has made something of a profession out of Giselle, and this, I think, is about his tenth production across the world. There is a reason for this—his is just about the best. It has style, drama and maintains the choreography, with a few updates, and generally demon-strates the balletic concept of this archetypal romantic ballet.

Most of his Giselle productions have had scenery and costumes by the British designer Peter Farmer who, like Wright, has a consummate understanding of the period and the style. This is a Giselle that looks, in every respect, like a romantic lithography come to life. Wright and

Farmer provided the staging, but it was left to Stevenson's dancers to do the rest, and I must say they made the whole production come alive.

The company is in very good shape, and it is, incidentally, lucky in having a very sensit-ive music director in James Slater. Of the principals one has to be a little foridious. 1 thought the best Giselle, and a thought the best Giselle, and a dancer of the most unusual talent, was a young Stevenson protege of many years, Suzanne Longley. This girl, with her jump and her style, would do anything—she is a Houston treasure. She also found a fine partner in the Scot, Kenneth McCombie, who has the makings of a first-class premier danseur.

Janie Parker and William Pizzuto were exultantly youth-ful as another pair, and the

more senior Andrea Vodehnal and Dennis Poole brought their own authority to the ballet as the third couple. Other dancers also stood out, particu-larly some of the men. Dorio Perez and Thomas Boyd as the virtuoso-dancing hilarions, and Kevin Myers in the pas de quartet that in Wright's version replaces the peasant pas do

Seeing a major company en masse for the first time is obviously a somewhat confus-ing experience. Yet this is a troupe America clearly must take note of. It obviously has a style of its own. Eventually we must find out whether it can have a repertory of its own.
With Stevenson's skills and aspirations, I think it can. This is another American company capable of international stat-

The Tay Bridge disaster

told, who had never had any thing to do with iron in his life, and who ignored the great piles of nuts and bolts he tound lying on every pier. And what allowance, they

wanted to know from the hap wented to know from the napicess designer, did he make for wind pressure in his design? Nane specially, said Sir Thomas, the most damning reply he was to make throughout the entire interrogation. His ideas on wind pressure had changed after consulting the Astronomer-Royal, the the Astronomer-Royal, the aprly-named Sir George Airey, who had declared the greatest

wind pressure ever likely to hit a structure in mid-Tay

hit a structure in mid-Tay to be 10 pounds to the square inch. The pressure that night would have been close to 60.

Anyway, added Sir George, on the night of the storm it had been only 10 pounds at his house at Greenwich, so there. The fact that engineers throughout the world used a rule-of-thumb 50 pounds was of no concern to Sir George, or to Sir Thomas.

The inquiry finally reported

The inquiry finally reported on July 5, 1880. Colonel Yol-land of the Board of Trade, Mr land of the Board of Trade, Mr
Barlow of the Institution of
Civil Engineers, and Mr Rothery, Commissioner of Wrecks,
were agreed; they did not
really know the cause of the
disaster. It could have been
the train being blown against
the girders, or the wind battering an inherently faulty
design, especially one changed
in mid-construction, or the last
shaky bolt falling out, or a
combination of all of them.

That was not enough for Mr

That was not enough for Mr Rothery; he was not content only to discover the cause; he also wanted to apportion the blame, and he added a minority report of his own:

"For these defects in the design, the construction and the maintenance Sir Thomas Bouch is, in our opinion, mainly to blame. For the faults of design he is entirely responsible. For those of construction he is principally to blame in not having exercised that supervision over the work which would have enabled him to detect and apply a remedy to would have enabled him to detect and apply a remedy to them. And for the faults of maintenance he is also principally, if not entirely, to blame in having neglected to maintain such an inspection over the structure as its character impers. structure as its character impera

Sir Thomas was hard at work when this damning indictment was published. It was the end of him; the North British Rail-way knew that their new bridge bill would never survive Parliament with his name agrached, and they dismissed

But he was never the same night. His confidence was shat-tered, he was shouted at in the streets of Edinburgh, and his health began to fail. After publication of the inquiry report his wife took him away to seclusion in the border town of Moffat and on October 30, weak in body and a little un-hinged in mind, he died.

Many lessons were learned from Sir Thomas's mistakes, the most obvious being the need for much greater wind resistance. But perhaps the most important lesson was that engineering had become so advanced, and projects so big, that their execution was no longer within the compass of one man. An age that had begun with Joseph Paxton, Isambard Brunel and Robert Stephenson, men whose works could bear a single signature ended with Sir Thomas Bouch It was the beginning of the age of the specialist, the committee, the anonymous work of

many hands. It was also the beginning of the age of steel. Bouch was almost the last to build great bridges of cast iron.

Ten years later Thomas Bouch's great dream to bridge botten's great dream to orange the firths of Forth and Tay had been realized, but by other hands. Almost his only memorials are a grudging obi-niary by his fellow profes-sionals, a row of seaweed-covered stumps which cross the Tay like a set of bad toeth, already moved on to extol Mr and a new Tay Bridge which William Barlow's replacement employs many of his original structure, which still stands:

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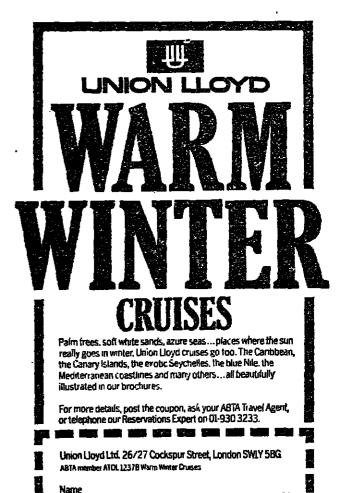
The Institution of Civil of the Silvery Tay,
Engineers gave him these valed dictory remarks: "In his death the profession has to lament one who, though carry.

And your thirteen central girders, which seem to my margin of safety than many others would have done, displayed boldness, originality and resource in a high degree. and bore a distinguished part. Alan Hamilton narrates an in the later development of the extended version of the story

eye Strong enough all windy stornis io dejy.

railway system."

William McGonagall, never one to delve too deeply into any of his subjects, had C Times



Experts in Quality



Good Food Guide

Not all changes for the better

The first—and by popular vote easily the least happy—choice was a Mexican restaurant ondon area specially, its come and go so that tender-hearted that earned a year's currency ometimes wonder not out the fates of the who open and shut as oysters in a bed, but sanity of the bank or lovers who lend e money. In this cliere is good reason for i Food Guide to be as sive about its choices sometimes accused of so often, this month's is next month's taco, n when the name and nain the same, a year a descent all the way urmer to gorblimey... er, the Guide has long some of its entries in pe implying a place aders might like to bout, but on which for son or another a firm would be premature. received of these subsequent months encouraging, metimes es chastening. It is foror everyone that there is people whose resjoing is a perpetual of hope over experiherwise, the restricted talented and normally chefs would never be d by new blood. And Bubb's, Tante Claire, and other favourites italic entries once. But

mbarking on this sea-

eater London novelties, worth looking back at

our pages in the spring.

on the basis of encouraging 1978 inspection reports. True, the entry was guarded—" do not regard the place as Momezuma's gift"—for Mexican cooking in London already had a lot to live down. But by the time the Guide came out the key person in the kitchen—a girl-was no longer to be seen, and the next six months produced not a single report in favour to set against comments such as "chili con carne was possibly the worst I have tasted, the beef gristly and fatty, with kidney beans the consistency of cashews"; "we arrived at a near-empty darkened cavern with Radio One blaring. We were told that at least four

items on a minimal menu of Mexican fare were unavailable or subject to alteration"; " we should have been alerted by the apologetic demeanour of the water who told us half an hour after opening time that he had no idea when the person in charge would arrive"; "a more disastrous evening in a restaurant is hard to imagine". Capability Brown in West

Hampstead is a different kind of problem. It has been perhaps London's most ambitious new restaurant of the past 12 months, when the complexity of the dishes is measured against the alarming length of the menu. True, the talented chef who set the place going is no longer there (though his exdeputy is). There have been some serious and expensive

who lately are the caneton roti aux cerises fraiches servi en deux temps (£5.70) noted tinned therries, a thick layer of far, and a taste in the sauce reminiscent of bought con-somme. On the other hand, in the autumn as in the spring different people used to eating well have norified meals or dishes of the highest standard. (Scampi stuffed with crab back in April was even described by one Washingtonian as "an oral

orgasm". Bunuel, please note). One seems on somewhat safer middle ground with the Oven d'Or. Orpington buffs have been glad, not to say surprised, to find M Grenier's opulent-looking upstairs restaurant with its Inomese chef. taurant, with its Japanese chef. in their own barnyard. Kuni-hiko Ohno's hot paté or avocado, crabe rotie aux nerbes or de crabe aux fruits crêpe Edouard VII granio (£4.20). with smoked (" stuffed salmon in a delicate curry sauce"), and tournedos in Meaux mustard sauce, with mousse brûlée or sable aux poires (£1.45) among sweets, may gain something in admira-tion from the district where

Younger restaurants may look askance at the company they are being asked to keep in this article. But Sue Winston at Bunny's in sion at Bunny's in Hampstead—where there are more restaurants than there are in Orpington, but not many more good ones has style and competence, always reassuring to the digestion wherever it is

they appear. But at least the restaurant's file is unambi-

guously in favour.

proved the point by her choice of chef (Keith Shuddall) and The decor of the well-spaced room opposite the Royal Free

Hospital is demure, in a muted version of that current favourite, salmon and spinach. The first surprise, at a test and other meals, has been the petite fundue bourguignonne (£1.20)—"one of the best of this overworked gence I have tasted, very not and nurty, with a fresh tomato sauce in which fresh basil could be tasted." Pate de champignon en croute—or rather, sur toast—is another hot fried first course, lemony and spicy. How-ever, both the type and size of these openings may suggest something less rich for main course than beef Wellington or breast of duck with green neppercorn and brandy sauce. Carré d'agueau with ratatouille (£7 for two) might be one solution, though truite soufflee à la pistache ([2.80) proved to be a skilful version of a com-plicated dish. "Sweets display a weakness for glace cherries, but ar least tasted as though made by an identifiable per-

John Brinkley, and his chef Autony Worrall-Thompson, are products of the Ealing and Westmaster catering schools respectively. It is difficult to ear a meal in one of these colleges—as the present writer did in Ealing earlier this year—without wondering where their graduates go after-wards to unlearn the good ideas and practices they picked up as students. How-

Brinkley's, with its

sheltered garden at the back people report modishly nou-velle first courses (warm salad of avocado and goose liver, £1.65; terrine of scallops chicken breast and seaweed £1.75); good crudites, rack of lamb, and salmon in sorrel; and for these hard times, wellchosen and fairly priced claret: Ch Maucaillou '73 at £7.50 and Ch Lagrange '66 at £12, both château-bottled. Sweet eaters may or may not care to know that buried in "Dr Brinkley's chocolate bombe" is a reference to the owner's mother, who deploys cobalt bombs in her occupation as a consultant radiotherapist.

Capability Brown, 351, West End Lane NW6, Tel 01-794 3234. Closed Sunday; lunch, Must book, Dinner 7-11-30. A la carre dinner with wine about £14.30.

Oven d'Or, 4, Crescent Way, Orpington, Kent. Tel Farn-borough (Kent) 52170, Closed Sunday, Monday; Saturday lunch, Must book, A la carte meal with wine about £12.35.
Bunny's, 7, Pond Street, NW3.
Tel 01-435 1541, Closed Monday; lunch (except Sunday), Meals 12-3 (Sunday), 7-11-15. Booking preferable. A la carte meal with wine about 510.80. Table d'hôte Sunday lunch

F4.95 Brinkley's 47, Hollywood Road, SW10. Tel 01-351 1683. Closed Sunday; lunch Must book Dinner 7.30-11.30. A la carte dinner with wine about £12.85.

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The schools prom is intoxicating. The effervescent delight of the children in the audience is almost tangible. The agony of musicians wairing to perform, some only five years old, and then their courage in over-coming these fears when their turn comes, sharpens the senses and heightens one's apprecia-

I went on the first night and found it, as before, one of the most bubbling happy and enjoyable events of the year. And, in a quite uncharacteristic way, I felt proud of Britain's youth, The highlights of the Monday evening, for me, was the exquisite purity and simplicity of the songs of the little girls at Rikiside infants school, from Blaenavon, Gwent; the hauntingly beautiful Air on a G String arranged for the Elm-wood steel band of Croydon by their conductor Russell Hen-derson, and the contagiously

nerson, and the contagiously enthusiastic playing of the Walsall youth jazz orchestra.

Every year, established musicians give their time free musicians give their time free of charge to appear as guest soloists at the schools prom. This year's guest artists included John Dankworth, Anthony Hopkins, Don Lusher and Caroline Dale, a 13-year-old cellist, who has twice won the Suorie City an international Suggia Gift, an international award for cellists under 21. My niece, Sasha, aged six, who had never been to a concert

before and who can often be quite a handful, sat rapt throughout the 2½ hours, cling-ing at first with tense excite-ment to the edge of the balcony, looking around with shining eyes, then relaxing and joining in with the clapping in time to the music and the throwing of

paper darts.

But as the presenter, Mr
Derek Jewell, reminded the
audience, such superb musicianship is not achieved without sacrifice and much hard work by the children and teachers involved. While other children are out playing, they are in prac-

Wardle comprehensive school in Rochdale did not play in the schools prom this year, but it got to the finals with its recorder group, all aged 13. Three quarters of the pupils in the school learn a musical instru school learn a musical instru-

ment, free of charge.

The school of 360 pupils is only two and a half years old, billy two and a half years old, yet it already has three brass bands, two military bands, a fazz band, a swing band, two woodwind ensembles, three choirs, classical, folk, and popultar groups, and four recorder groups. corder groups.

When the school was set up in 1977 with an intake of 120 11-year-olds, Mr William Ander-son, the beadmaster, begged the Rochdale authority to give him 30 instruments to help establish espirit de corps". The school had no music teacher, but by the end of the first year

It had won 12 music trophies. With the money raised from parents, prizes, and playing at instruments were bought for the new intake of pupils. Last year, Wardle won 18 trophies, raised £4,000, and bought another 112 instruments. It now has one fullteachers help out in their spare time, giving up every lunch bour, and at least three evenings

a week to take rehearsals. This was the fifth year of the schools prom, held over three nights at the Royal Albert Hall, and soonsored by The Times. the Times Educational Supplement and Commercial Union Assurance, More than 1,000 pupils, nearly all under 18, took part. Tens of thousands more came to listen.

As at the traditional "senior" promenade concerts, the schools prom always ends with the Land of Hope and Glory, conducted by Anthony Hopkins, before the children spill out from the dizzling lights and thundering applause into chill night air to catch their buses virtually singlehandedly must have been great, and in times home. We may no longer be a least it was an evening of glory and hope and of uner delight.

Diana Geddes

Education Correspondent

District from their buses have been great, and in times have been great, and in times of cris's, prodigious.

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All out of the union trenches?

December 7, the anniversary of Pearl Harbour, is this year set to become a potent date in British political life, and certainly in the life of Mrs Thatcher's Government. Will it be remembered for The Cabinet's intention is to the divebomber cry of Tora! Tora! Tora! attribute to the Prime Minister's style of attack? Or will it mark the awakening, like the United States in 1941, of the slumbering giant of Britain's silent maiority?

The answer could be several years coming, and it could be : neither. But the outcome, is more important, in spite of this weekend's necessary pre-occupations, than either the EEC summit or the Rhodesia settlement. Next Friday, the Government's long awaited Bill for trades union reforms, assuming completion of last minute drafting changes, is due to be presented to Parliament. The Cabiner's intention is to draw the sting of union hostility by getting the Commons second reading debate out of the way before Christmas.

The Bill's presentation to the public will be even more important. Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, its author, knows better than anyone that this single Bill, with relatively limited changes to the law, cannot produce some magic answer for our stifling industrial relations.

Psychologically, it is a key moment and the measures themselves of such moment that, as Mr Prior told the Conservative conference, "we cannot afford to get them wrong". They must be seen as the mainspring for the Government's policy to try restoring balance in relationships between unions and management. They are what many people voted for in the election, if by that one can accept the notion that a large number, including mony union members, voted against the excesses of last winter's strikers.

Mr Prior's difficult task is to ensure understanding that the proposals do not

draw the sting of union hostility by getting the second reading before Christmas

intend "union bashing"; also that they do intend protection for the individual from intimidation, whether through closed shop or picketing

The political trap all Ministers have to avoid is a replay of the flasco of the Heath government's Industrial Relations Act. While there is every sign that union leaders are not much concerned with public opinion it would be disastrous if the Government were to throw support back their way by pretending somehow to bring the unions to beel, and even victimize

Ideally. Mr Prior would have pre-ferred to have had the acquiescence of TUC leaders, or at best a non-aggres-ston pact. This was never on. But at present it does look as if union leaders will find it hard to whip up a crusade in defence of their sacred

immunities,
Recent opinion polls showed massive naiorities in favour of the reforms Mr Print is proposing on the closed shop, picketing and secret ballots. Then, just when it seemed that the unions themselves might be making discreet efforts to ensure good behaviour and so make the Bill unnecessary along came trouble. came trouble. Opinion was sensitized all over again by the behaviour of the Charing Cross

Hospital pickets; equally the BL imbroglio over Mr Derek Robinson's dismissal reignited popular doubts over shop stewards.

These events have also exposed the disarray between union leaders. And it was a further index of the disarray distracting the Labour Party as well that Mrs Thatcher's incimation last week that troops would be used if necessary to get bospital supplies through passed without protest.

But Mr Prior is the first to recognize that such disarray presents danger as well as opportunity. Irrational behav-iour could well flow from the divisions setting Amalgamated Union of Engineer ing Workers and the Transport and General Workers' Union leaders at each other's throats over the Robinson atfair Unwelcome temptations are offered to the Tory right wing for

union bairing.

Mr Prior has had some fierce tussies with his Cabinet colleagues since taking office. He has been held up as "wet", by those close to Mrs Thatcher, for his old fashioned attempts at concilia-tion through consultation. But he has won Cabinet support because on a number of disputes his approach has been working, not least through meetings with Mr Len Murray, TUC general

secretary.

Bur on the Bill itself all he got for

his pains was an angry sterile con-frontation. "The beginning of fascism" was the represent thrown at him by Mr Jim Stater of the National Union of Seamen at Thursday's meeting with the TUC committee. "Revolutionary", complained Mr. Harry Urwin of the TGWU Mr Prior was clearly pained that the TUC should be plaintively demanding to see what documentary evidence the Government had of union intimidation. Non-TUC leaflets and oress accounts of last winter's lorry. drivers' strike were not admissible, it

In all this there remains a dilemma for the Government. While they press ahead with the Bill Ministers must also seek to work with the TUC. Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer has made quite a point of next Wednesday's meeting of the National Economic Development Council on the economy. There is no reason why the TUC, the CBI and the Government should not set aside outstanding differences in pursuit of common objectives", he said last week. And yet what glimmerings of hope there might have been of "concerted action" over pay policy-which Mr Prior wants-are disappearing.

Union leaders are clearly irritated. They have refused to take their places on the National Enterprise Board following the effective dismissal of the entire board by Sir Keith Joseph. They could boycott the NEDC, too.

The Government and Mr Prior are going to need a hymn and a prayer to achieve what he called at Blackpool "the greatest and best opportunity within living memory to change attitudes, for people to get out of their trenches and stretch out to each other. Let us get rid of this no man's land which has divided the country for

Not a bad text for December 7.

The great surge of new novelists that began in the mid-1950s appears to have dried

up. First novels are still pub-lished in some numbers, but

it will prove in retrospect,

Yet there is still an air of the corrage industry about pub-

lishing that sers it apart from other art forms. The thearre,

architecture, opera and film all

demand ever-increasing invest-

ments of money, whereas a book

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tive in publishing continues to flowish, authors of quality will

Inevitably, it seems to me.

believe, a barren decade.

The challenge to labour over the Robinson affair

The repercussions of the moment will probably never I Robinson affair will not stop known. Only hours before if at the Longbridge factory gate meeting, it was possible to he or in the boardroom at BL. The it being argued that it is cam company's apparent success in to a stark choice of Leylar the dispute is already being and 100,000 jobs or the unit talked about in the labour and its 1.5 million member movement as a fundamental then the company would have challenge to the whole basis of trade unionism. If Sir of trade unionism. If Sir Michael Edwardes can get away with sacking a shop-floor representative as seemingly invulner able as Mr Derek Robinson, it is argued, then no shop steward

For the past week, I have been assisting in the conduct of examinations held by the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers to draw up a new parliamentary panel. This exercise takes place after every general election and it attracts some of the best activists in the

ome of the best activities in the engineering industry.

Of the 60 or so would be MPs attending practically all wanted the BL strikes in support of Mr Robinson to be made official. Of the 22 interviewed after the NUEW climb down, 90 per cent felt their executive had done the wrong thing, and had exposed their shop stewards to a new era of uncertainty and weakness. Some found the decision of their leaders incomprehensible, others "shameful" Tucked away in a seafront

hotel in Eastbourne, they could not be privy to all the facts that made the AUEW executive decide that they "could not live with the closure of BL." It was a gut reaction. And much of what not place on the shop stewards" Black Tuesday" has

yet to be told. It seems that Sir Michael attract writers of talent in such numbers as it did. The more lucrative attractions of Edwardes relephoned Mr Terry Duffy, the engineers' president, while the executive was in ses-sion and suggested that he should go round to the union offices in Peckham to address television, of journalism, of the theatre even, have dissipated the great English tradition for the writing of fiction.

This idea was rejected as an inwelcome trespass, but the on neutral ground. Once they were together, the BL chairman suggested that the dismissal should be put to a ballot of the how many potentially great novelists have been discovered in the 1970s? For new talent workforce in much the same way as the "survival" plan had

The engineers leaders, get-ting nervous by now of too ready an embrace of the ballot form such a central plank in the Government's industrial relations strategy, would not enter-tain the idea. They were also staggered by the company's pro-posal that the union should pay to produce. It is still possible to set up a publishing house with manuscripts, a little capital and a passion for the job. So, while individual initia-Mr. Robinson's wages and be reimbursed later. It took all of three hours to wring from Sir Michael the marginally face saving formula now being put into The engineers' leaders dis-

agree among themselves how long the inquiry by the three Mr. Weakley is said to argue that its work could be com-pleted in a matter of days; Sir the number of new books published is likely to increase. Thus tasting, swallowing, chewing and digesting will continue to form the literary editor's: For Mr Duffy, its should be are vulnerable diet. And a most congenial one fruitful rather than speedy". Exactly why the executive backed down at the critical

Bur when the crisis cam the challenge collapsed. The failure of nerve may be att buted to the relative inexpe ence of the seven-man exec tive. Two have only recent taken up office; the longer serving has been there only fi years. Set against the thri decades of service of [1] union's general sccremary, S John Boyd, they are amaleu —and so is Mr Robiuson, S John is probably the labo movement's most consuma politician, and though he do not have a vote on the exec tive his counsel is extreme influential. And judging persistent stories coming out-Peckham he thinks strik should not be financed fro the union's general fund b from current income. He is unlikely, therefore, have advised in favour of ma

ing official strikes that was have cost the union certain tens of thousands, if not by dreds of thousands, of pound Beyond the internal problem of his union, the Robinst affair raises a great many que tions about industrial relation and the distribution of poss in the labour movement. In it decade since Donovan, it has become a commonplace the activity has shifted from it centre to the shopfloor.

National bargaining has bee eroded, and in some cases over taken, by plant bargaining. By shift, many union leaders has been uneasy about the rival re-resentative machinery it is created. It is a disquier som times shared by managers. - Those misgivings go som

way to explaining the ambig ons standing of shop steward combines in British industry It was as combine chairma that Mr Robinson was dismi sed BL's press office was quic to tell journalists, "He's w official, you know". In the context, the description practically meaningless Con bine committees are a naturn extension of shopfloor organiz extension of snoption ofganz tion in multi-plant companie They fill the gap betwee workplace and centralise union bureaucracy. To ca them "unofficial" is to ignor that they are real and have genuinely representative rok The AUEW inquiry will have to look at the wider impact as Mr Robinson's dismissal Ther is no mistaking the dismay 2 has prompted among shor stewards, who are after all, the front line of trade unionism. As one BL steward put it used during the week: "It will harden some. It will frighten : few. They will have to take it into account when they take or

> Paul Routledge Labour Edito:

a shop steward's job that the

Ion Trewin writes a fond farewell from the Literary Editor's chair Books galore, just like

As she surveyed the stack of Jiffybags containing copies of books sent to The Times for review, a temporary secretary asked if that day's tally of 27 parcels was typical. When I said that at the height of the sant that at the neight of the autumn publishing season we had even known the daily total to near 100, she remarked with a sigh: "Gosh, it's like having Christmas every day."

Indeed my thrill at opening publisher's parcels hasn't dimmed during seven years as hasn't The Times's Literary Editor. Some packages identify themselves by the publisher's name on the label, others by the ofrepeated mis-spelling of my name (from Iron Truin to Ivan Previn), mistakes perpetrated by whoever typed the dupli-cator plate in the first place. At least Philip Howard, my successor, is unlikely to have the same trouble.

What whets my appetite are the potential treasures these parcels may contain. Part of publishing's fascination for me is knowing that it is still a trade, a business where art and commerce meet. If much of the output is pap and dross, senses for the works

Faced with the daily sackloads I am often tempted to go first for the publishers whose output one usually likes. But there's a puritan ethic, in-stilled no doubt from child-

age of 58 and live. John Tha-

deus Delane, whose obituary

appeared a hundred years ago,

saw more dawns in a year than

most people care to see in a

From the moment he entered the editor's room until the

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hood, which keeps recurring: save the bost till last. Not that it makes any difference in the end, for no matter how assiduously one scans publishers' catalogues, assimilates advertiements in The Bookseller, or listens to the lunchtime plead ings of editors and publicity managers, invariably half the books plucked from the parcels are unknown quantities.

This is, I suppose, hardly surprising, when one considers just how many books are submitted to The Times for review each year. In 1977 when we last kept a complete record, the number of books received topped 10.000—not in-cluding paperbacks. If that seems a staggering figure, it is, in fact, only one third of the new titles published in Britain

It used to be said that no man ing: "By Jove, John, what do take home pay of £30,000 was could edit The Times after the you think has happened? I am a distinct asset in preserving

Less than 20 years later, the

Saturday Review lamented:
"No apology is needed for assuming that this country is ruled by The Times... It is

high time we began to realize

the magnificant spectacle afforded by British freedom—

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To the business of editing he

brought a highly developed

nose for news, adroit man-management, and a vision of the press as free and independ-

Measured in today's dispos-

able income terms, an annual

editor of The Times ".

Price hardly seems to matter. Seven years ago a typical £2 or £2.50, whereas this year £4.95 is already being superis already being superseded by £5.50, even £5.95. Perhaps it is because we remain a book borrowers

itself an unhealthy state of affairs if library book purchasing grants are butchered when government spending cuts local councils.

The pleasure I find in books is more than just their conbe a desirable object, and it ferre and costs soar so pub-lishers have been forced to rake short cutto priver and print quality decline, with close binding now a rarity. No literary editor can possibly read 12.000 tooks to year, so one of the professional skills of the job is learning how to judge which books to send out for eview. I have learnt to take refuge in Francis Bacon's observation

and digested". Some books also choose themselves for review. It would be perverse of me to ever, is that of all the vast ignore, say, a new novel by range of books published, the Iris Murdoch, or to have novel no longer seems to:

independence and editorial

wealth and managerial enter-prise, Delane marshalled in the public interest a moust ously

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ident foreign correspondents, so that at any moment the paper could "set al! Europe in a state of excitement, and fill

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putting to one side Andrew Boyle's The Climate of Treason. But most satisfying of all is to discover quality for one-self—no advance fantares, no lavish pre-publicity on the free plug circuit, but merely an author and his subject perfectly matched.

We have been most fortunate at The Times that it has been possible in the past seven years to expand the coverage of books to match, in some way at least, the increase in titles published. Christmas and enumer book supplements, mentally pages devoted to paperbacks, quarterly features on children's and business books, all help to keep the regbooks, all help to keep the reg. always find a home, at least ular Thursday pages open for that is my hope as I go off to the works of imagination, of become a publisher myself. tasted, others to be swallowed, sion does not end there; next and some few to be chewed year in addition, it may even be possible to review a book a

What worries me most, how-

it is, too, as I am sure Philip Howard will find: The extraordinary power of Delane, editor supreme

Delane was a superb political manipulator, wooed and welcomed in the gilded salons of both parliamentary parties, while his flair for intelligent anticipation of events was renowned. To talk to Delane was like talking to the great political or social world itself,

and politicians knew it." His private correspondence in the paper's archives reads like a drumroll: Palmerston. Wellington, Gladstone, Derby, Disracli, Pcel, Dickens, Wilber-force, Rothschild, Florence Nightingale and a host of field marshals. Vicerovs, ambassadors, entrepreneurs and would be lady novelists.

don society gave confidential access to hints from the dinner table and grouse moors, raw mater at for the leader writers. It was the age, supremely, of

the leading article, and into it was often out information which nowadays goes into the newspages. Delane wrote very little himself, possibly no more than a dozen leaders in 36 years, but bis revising pen was everywhere...

Independence of treatment. by his leader writers he wel- it was poetry. When asked comed provided they took the whether he was prepared to

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Delane liked his dinner and, dable lions were kept in sepa- wards in his glass of wine, and "swell-rate cages and they knew verying" (his own word) in Lon-little about one another, their. dealings being exclusively with Delane

the editor.
Unlike his predecessor
Thomas Barnes, who wrote elegant Latin verse and a classical English style, Delane was neither learned nor distinctively literary. A plain man, not given to metaphysical specula-tion, he had no particular atti-tude to life outside of Printing House Square, "The Times filled his vision, the dream and

the duty."

If Delane detested anything line he gave them. His formi- review Shelley, he shot back-

"Excrement! Excrement! We do not know Delane thought about organized sport, but an abiding passion for horseback riding over the Berkshire heaths the Wiltsbire downs following the autumn manoeuvres gardiasting prominence to racial reports in The Times.

He died at his residence Ascot Heath, Berkshire, ould two years after retirement leaving the paper he had served with such distinction and devotion as an enduring

epitaph.

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Adjusting to night shift on the crease Brisbane

Playing, alternately, night cricket and day cricket pre-sents peculiar problems of adjustment. This week in Australia the West Indians, after two floodlit matches in Sydney, on Wednesday and Thursday (hours of play 2.10 until 10.30) have now started a five-day test in Brisbans.
On Wednesday they left their hotel for the Sydney
Cricket Ground soon after 11 am and returned to it just before midnight, looking for new hinges to conquer breaking down their dressing

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After their victory over West Indies on Thursday the English players had a mild celebration in their hotel, which began with their watching the highlights of the match on television and ended with steak sandwiches around three clock in the morning. Four o'clock in the morning. Four or five hours later they were awake again, the march still revolving in their heads. England had enjoyed playing under lights, partly, of course, because they won, and partly because of the novelty of it; but there were times when they found the ball hard

This is especially so when it climbs into the blazing lights;

players are momentarily bilided by them, as they would be by the sun, and there are six sets of lights to avoid. From the press box the white ball was barely visible by the end of the match, it had become so dirty. Not even the became so thity. Not even the last west Indian batsman, had been bowled by the last ball of the last over. He was entered as "not out" in the book, later changed to "bowled". Ordered to be up and about

for an early start one day,

cricketers are now being encouraged to have breakfast in bed the next. Baseball players have long been accustomed to the night shift; so have tennis players, though they are never involved, as cricketers are, in a match which takes eight hours or more to complete. Once the lights are switched on cricketers take on the role of performers, engaged not so much in a game as in show business. The Australians are in yellow stripes this winter, with pads and gloves and caps to match, and the West Indians in maroon. The umpires, all in black, look to have been dressed by Gary Player, After apricet blazers; before it they could have been wearing wet

On Wednesday it was half-past-eight when the last of the when they found the ball hard speciators paid for admission and after 11 before the ground was cleared. On the Hill there

sober breath was being drawn. The young men had been pour-ing on to the Hill from early ing on to the Hill from early in the day, carrying Eskies (portable refrigorators that is, mostly shaped like tuck boxes but some like cabin trunks) filled with cans of cold beer. The Hill, a grass bank of per-haps an acre and a half, becomes so full of people on a busy day, all sitting on the grass, shoulder to shoulder. movement is difficult. For the last two or three hours of play the police are fully

Disapproval

This is so during a five-day Test match as much as during the night extravaganzas. I hate to say it, but the Sydney Hill is an obscene place these days. The emotioness of the members enclosures at Sydney this week suggested a staunchly conservative membership, disapproving of the new frontiers. The reaction of television viewers is similarly mixed. Some accept, without objection, the constant interjection of commercial surppets, amounting sometimes 13 minutes in an hour. Others write to the newspapers deploring it.

The television commentary team, consisting mostly of former Test cricketers (Messrs Benaud, Captain, Greig, Lawry, Stackpole, Trueman and Tyson among them) are resplendent,

fractions as the evening wears on. Around the ground you can buy white cricket balls made of scap, while listening to the cheerful strains of "C'mon Aussies, c'mon". Every litter box on every cor-ner of every Sydney street carries the world series logo. Bill O'Reilly, Great Australian bowler and an implacable opponent of all forms of gimmickry, prepares his daily vitriol for his morning column and with a lampconing line

departs. Oh my Mailey and my

Trumper long ago l

morning, bound for Tasmania, the West Indians, quening up on the runway behind them, were on their way north to Brisbane, bruised and twice beaten. They come last on to the aircraft, carrying huge transistors. Garner is 6ft 8gia talk!; his regummates altocate him a seat with no legroom so that his knees are touching the ceiling. He soon changes it. The four fast bowlers go down the aisle rogether-Garner like a giste together—Garner like a giraffe in a hauster's cage, Roberts sullen, Holding unusually jovial, Croft more suspicious. Deryck Murray, former Cambridge captain, is an charge, Clive Lloyd having stayed behind in Sidney to the pilot welcomes than the pilot welcomes than

io. The pilor welcomes them aboard and once in Brisbane

if self-consciously so, in their they retire to their rooms to yellow coats. Young children, play their favourite music and who should long ago have been have their fun, and Garner to in bed, become increasingly find a bed to fat him.

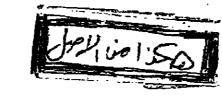
Although it was raining when we arrived in Brisbane the weather bureau has promised no rain when the twelfth there in September, 1982, which is Queensland's early spring. The sports are to be ries the world series logo. Bill spring. The sports are to be ries the world series logo. Bill archery, athletics, badminton, bowler and an implacable opponent of all forms of gimmickry, prepares his daily without for his morning column out, will be within easy the handout, will be within easy distance of the city centre. The main stadium will hold 58,000 people, and 52 nations will be invited to compete. Tickets and Sydney airnort on Thursday accommodation for oversess. Sydney airport on Thursday accommodation for overseas visitors are expected to be available from May, 1981, onwards. After a visit to Brisbane last summer "Sandy"
Duncan, Secretary of the Commonwealth Games Federation, everything points to Brisbane holding a really good, happy and successful Games". With £3,500,000 to be raised

from direct sponsorship and licensing agreements, a good start has been made. A subtropical town, with a pupulation of three-quarters of a million; and more Australian in true Australian terms than Sydney, Melbourne and Perth, Brisbane has a lor to recommend it as a menue for the Games, A residential complex will be built in the grounds of Griffith University, to be pend for out of public money and used

this the original production Posar

for the students and staff does not advance quite Perth has since the Comm in 1962, it will be a place the map by 1983, know among sportsmen at any resident

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ERYONE LOST AT DUBLIN

was never the slightest that Mrs Thatcher would from Dublin with a for £1,000m in her It was, however, reasonhope that our fellow s of the European Comwould show some signs og the justice of the case. We could have sympathetic noises, of careful study to be by appropriate action, me quick cash as an of intent. Mrs Thatcher en have returned with es that the problem was ng taken seriously and ilts would follow in due

i we have nothing but: ment to bring forward summit from March to . The sum of money on nains at about £350m e still unvalued spendoal transport and agri-The French attitude is

up by President rather patronizing for Mrs Thatcher's that she will come to summit in a spirit of ise—as if it were not ich who were in far eed of this spirit. Even ion on the date of the mit is depicted largely ort to avoid the impresreakdown rather than ult of determination to lution by that date.

tish tactics becoming And when a comproentually reached everyask why it could not 1 reached earlier and of contributions do not con- order to help herself.

with less stress. The reason is largely that the other European leaders are like Mrs Thatcher, under political pressure at home. But their situations are very different from hers. She is fighting a domestic battle in which she can ill afford to be seen to be taking money from pensioners and children and pouring it into the coffers of European farmers. The result of failure could be a massive swing of British public opinion against the Community, leading eventually to the election of a strongly left-wing Labour Government pledged to withdraw. While it would be understandable if some Suprement pleases. able if some Europeans began to feel they could do without Britain, it would not in fact be in the long-term interests of any of the European governments. Self-interest alone should be sufficient to give the European leaders second thoughts. Add to that the obvious justice of the British case and their artitude. hecomes even more disappoint-

All that Mrs Thatcher is asking is that the Community should in fact behave as a community, and that it should be true to its principle that the vital interests of members should not be threatened. There is also the now much-quoted paper handed to Britain in 1970 stating that should unacceptable situations arise within the present Comherefore, it looks as if munity or an enlarged Com-will have to continue, munity the very survival of the Community would demand that the institutions find an equitable solution". Nobody can honestly claim that Britain's present level

POPE IN TURKEY

ey to Turkey, which sterday, as having an e and urgency above y other he had underrojected. At first sight s a surprising stateen one thinks of the emotional significance, charged with political of his return to his and; of the urgency for an end to violence ; or of the opportunied to him by his visit ited Nations and the After those tates. f high drama the mixpopular indifference, might seem a conenticlimax. ourse he did not go

Turks as such, even required that he be y them as a visiting ate. He went to visit where the Blessed whom he feels such votion spent her last irth; and above all be isit the Ecumenical those primacy, though inter pares, is recogre fourteen Orthodox of the Eastern Rite. se fourteen is actually pland, admittedly far red by the Pope's own Another, and far the that of Russia, said toiore than one bundred of about 150 million. Orthodox Christians: robably only about ion are active meme of the others—those Romania, Bulgaria, akia and Georgia-are found in Communist rope.

as he does from rope, and knowing as e problems of main-Christian community munism, how should not feel acutely the hristians of East and reunited? He must

much a part of the Russian people's identity as his own church is of the Polish people's. But he is equally well aware that the difficulties under which it labours are even greater. In Poland communism exists only on the level of political power and is seen by the vast majority of the people as an aspect of foreign domination. The Church is at once a national institution and a part of an international institution existing outside the Communist system. The Communist regime no longer makes any serious attempt to deckrist-Russia the Orthodox Church, being historically both more solated and more closely bound to the state than the Roman Catholic one: has found it hard to resist a degree of Communist

manipulation.

All that must make the need for reunion, or at least for much stronger links, more acute in the Pope's eyes. But it also makes it more difficult. The Orthodox churches recognize no single authority, and it has taken years of discussion among themselves to bring them to the point where a direct dialogue with Rome could begin. In 1976 the two sides were able to establish two separate commissions of theologians to do the preparatory work, and in the spring of 1978 a joint co-ordinating group met and agreed on a plan of activity. But that in turn had to be submitted to the authorities on the two sides for approval. Only now is the substantive discussion of theological differences ready to begin, and that was the reason for the timing of the Pope's visit -the feast of St. Andrew, the Church of Constantinople's patron, providing an appropriate ceremonial occasion. The pace of progress in the discussions will hardly be rapid. Bur Anglicans, who are already involved in

ey to Turkey, which tial of the Russian Orthodox will hope that each corner of it terday, as having an Church, which is historically as

stitute an unacceptable situation.

Where is the equitable solution?

over the best nature of the

solution. Mrs Thatcher's idea

has been that the Community

should use the corrective mechanisms already agreed to

reduce Britain's budget contribution by about £340m and make up the rest by spending projects based on the average expenditure per head throughout the Community The Community

out the Community. The Com-mission does not like this prin-

ciple of deciding expenditure and

it may be partly right, but then it must think of another.

The first thing to do is to take more seriously the long-standing

intention to reduce agricultural

spending from 75 per cent to nearer 40 per cent of the budget.

Failure to do this is one of the main reasons for Britain's

troubles. But here Mrs Thatcher

also needs to do some re-think-ing. She needs allies. The most

active and obvious ally is the European parliament, which has

voted to cut farm spending and

increase spending in other fields, especially regional development.

Yet in the Council of Ministers

Britain voted against the parlia-

ment's efforts to cut the cost of

the milk powder mountain. It was explained that the budget was

unimportant, that Britain did not want to irritate the French

or upset the balance of power

by strengthening the parliament. None of this cuts much ice. The European parliament happens to be pushing in the

right direction on this issue. Mrs Thatcher should help it in

The only reasonable dispute is

impetus to the other two. That the seat of the Ecumenical Patriarch is itself now doubly in partibus infidelium in a country which is ninety-eight per cent Muslim and yet has excluded all religious manifestations from its public lifeis incidental to the central purpose of the Pope's visit but has served to give it added poignancy. In particular it gave him the opportunity to pay a tribute to Islam which is all the more remarkable in view of some of the things currently being done in the name of Islam in a neighbouring country. He left it his host, the Ecumenical Patriarch, to allude directly to that "Luciferian anarchy" of self-destruction of men and their faith . . . carried out in the name of God". He himself preferred to recall how much Christians and Muslims have in common, and to ask himself "if it is not urgent . . . to recognize and develop the spiritual ties which unite us".

He must have been thinking sadly of the abrasive response received from Imam Khomeini to his appeal for the release, of the hostages in the American embassy in Tehran—a response sent "in the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful" but hardly reflecting those divine attributes since it reproached the Papacy with its past silence about the crimes of the Shah, enumerated those crimes in some grisly detail, and reaffirmed that the release of the hostages was dependent on his extradition. He may have reflected that the Papacy, in common with other Western powers, did fall short of the highest Christian standards in paving too little attention to the sufferings of the Iranian people, and indeed of other peoples. But he must also have thought how who are already involved in far the Imam's present attitude theological discussions with both sides, will be heartened by this standards of Islam.

LMOUTH AND CAMBORNE GOES

iole, as Mr Auberou lieves, the people of ome wiser as you go st. It is certain that s a wisdom which has eached by Salisbury, bury is wiser than and it is more than nat Farnham is wiser ea. One should leave out of it. There has been some debate is principle continued past the Somerset n particular some we doubted whether the home of the Foot ose somerimes lovable foolish people-was at all.

ciple is now however by the Falmouth and Labour Party, which expectedly told such truths about the arty. The criticisms in their letter withom affiliation are prese which the most responsible members your Party in Parliae to each other in it so far hesitate to ublic. No one should lmouth and Camborne or are irresponsible zir criticisms are less those made privately f the most respected ienced men in the vement.

r instance Mr Calleader of the Labour ith which of the

criticisms made by the Falmouth and Camborne Party does be disagree? They argue that the National Executive Committee does not "really represent the views of the rank and file members and the majority of Labour voters". This is also the view of Mr Callaghan. They resent "the intolerance shown by many conference delegates". So does Mr Callaghan, who was on the receiving end of that intolerance. They resent "the growing power of the militant tendency and other Trotskyite groupings within the party structure". So does Mr Callaghan. They blame the Labour Party's election defeat on this "militant tendency". So does Mr Callaghan. The truth of the matter is that

the Labour Party has been invaded by people who are wholly unrepresentative of the views of Labour voters, and they support more senior figures who are seeking power by the left route. It is a disaster for the Labour Party, and if such a party were ever returned to government it would be a disaster for the country. It is not merely a matter of speeches or of individual personalities, but of power and policy. The Falmouth and Camborne Party believe that it has gone so far that they should fight back in the most forceful way they can. Will other Labour moderates show the same sense of reality, or will they gently pretend that things are not what

they are?

The choice before the Labour moderates is quite clear. They must either win the party back if that can be done-or form a party they can truthfully ask the mass of Labour voters to support, because it represents their real views. To do neither, but to try to live on in a Labour Party dominated by the militant faction would be to offer a spurious guarantee of moderation to an immoderate party. It would be selling wood alcohol in ginger beer bottles.

Falmouth and Camborne have faced this logic. So has Mr Roy Jenkins. So too does Mr William Rodgers, though his emphasis is on fighting back. So, in private, do many Labour leaders. Who can believe that the electorate will be deceived? Already in the west, that is to the south and west of Bristol, the Labour Party are down to their last seat, held by Dr Owen on an individual basis, on the Liberal formula of celebrity, dashing good looks and hard constituency work. The west is one of the non-conformist cradles of English progressive politics, and now again the Liberals are as important a political force as the Labour Party, and are seen as more of a threat to Conservative sears. If the moderates cannot recapture the Labour Party, only a national economic catastrophe, and perhaps not even that, will bring Labour back to power.

Answering Vatican

charges From Professor Nicholas L. A. Lash, and others

Sir, We understand that Professor Edward Schillebeeckx OP of the University of Nijmegen has been summoned to Rome by the Congregation for Doctrine (the former Holy Office) to answer certain charges levelled by the Congregation against his writings. We further understand this interview to be the culmination of a quasi-judicial process which the Congregation has been conducting in secret during the last three years, a process in which "counsel" both for the prosecution and the defence are appointed by the Congregation, "the counsel for the defence" being forbidden to contact the scholar whom he is appointed to defend.

As Christian theologians (Anglicans, Protestants and Roman Sir, We understand that Professor

caus. Protestants and Roman Catholics), we acknowledge that any theologian has responsibilities to the tradition in which he stands and whose history and significance he seeks to interpret. We further acknowledge that these responsibilities are distinct from those of the churches' pastors and that as a result the relationship between the theological and pastoral offices will often be marked, as Cardinal New man posted a hundred years are man noted a hundred years ago, "by collisions and contrasts".

Nevertheless, it is incumbent upon both pastors and theologians to exercise their responsibilities in a manner which is consonant with the truth to which they seek to bear witness. We believe that measures such as those currently being employed by the Congregation are inconsistent with fundamental human rights, gravely threaten that freedom of interpretation and research which is an indispensable feature of the human quest for meaning and truth, discredit the authority which employs such measures, and imperil that fragile climanner which is consonant with the sures, and imperil that fragile climate of mutual trust between the churches which has developed in

recent decades.
Professor Schillebeeckx's reputation as a man whose scholarship and intellectual integrity are internationally respected will not in the long run be harmed by the pro-cedures to which he is subject. We believe, however, that the damage done to the truthfulness and the credibility of the Christian com-munity is likely to be incalculable. Yours faithfully,

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Frank Wright The Divinity School, St John's Street, November 30.

Reviving Civil Defence From Mr David Chambers

Sir, Your leader on Monday (November 26) calling for urgent action by Her Majesty's Government to review our preparedness in the event of any national or local emergency is most welcome.

As a Liberal member of Notting-hamshire County Council's Public Protection Committee, I have artended the Home Defence College course for councillors. In chairing the final session of the course with members from all over the UK, I was assounded at the different classifications given to their authorities' contingency plans. Whilst I had our published booklet from Nottinghamshire, some councillors had experienced great difficulty in seeing theirs and many were overprinted "TOP SECRET".

The firemen's arrive of 1920

The firemen's strike of 1978 gave me first hand knowledge of the relevance of the plans and the massive amount of enthusiasm from the public to help in any actual or potential emergency situation. Not-tinghamshire has also implemented its plans at times of flood emergency.

The National Emergency Contin-

gency Plans involving regional and county controllers in any war situation and the presumptions upon which they are based, are out-dated and long overdue for reappraisal.

I would urge Her Majesty's Gov-ernment to recognize the importance of involving the public in any contingency plans and encourage them to channel any enthusiasm for the subject into organized community emergency teams, probably within some form of Civil Defence Your obedient servant,

DAVID CHAMBERS, Redcroft. Rock Hill, Nottinghamshire.

Nancy Astor From Mr David Assor

Sir, The BBC recently made a television programme on the life of my mother, Nancy Astor, which repre-sented Sir Oswald Mosley as a considerable friend and political associate of hers in their early days. in fact, it was his first wife. Cynchia, who was a close friend of my mother's and Mosley only took nart part in my mother's first election campaign on her account.

Since Mosley's subsequent career

was a notorious one, this misrepresentation is serious, I would not have taken part in this programme had I known how he was to be presented. Yours. DAVID ASTOR,

9 Cavendish Avenue, NW8.

Splitting the Labour Party

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir, Week by week we see a worsening in the relationship between the Parliamentary Labour Party and the National Executive of the Labour Party. At the same time we have

Party. At the same time we have Mr Roy Jenkins—admittedly on the far right of the Labour Party on many issues — striking a chord among many moderates with his call for a radical centre party.

I know of many traditional Labour voters who voted Tory in May for the first time in their lives. Most of them are becoming more and more disaffected with the strife in the Labour Party, strife that in most cases is being deliberately fomented by left extremists, agitators and Trorskyists. It is not difficult to imagine the solit between the National Executive majority and the PLP becoming worse, indeed it looks as though there have been successive attempts to humiliate the successive attempts to humiliate the leader of the party, a foreraste of the intolerance and abuse that can be expected from extremes of either right or left.

Are we not reaching the time when the Shadow Cabiner and the PLP, who collectively represent many millions of voters, should consider whether the present Labour Party structure is any longer workable? And if not, does the broad mass of the PLP not represent the radical centre party that Roy Jenkins was talking about? This is not to say that Mr Jenkins is an appropriate leader, as Mr Callaghan still looks a better choice and Mr Healey a better successor in due

There would be great risks if the PLP attempted to establish, say, a social democratic party with its own local and national organization, but there would be a tremendous rally of support from many trade unions and Labour moderates who have increasing distaste for the machinations of the boring left and who want policies for the 1980's rather than a siege economy and a sufficating extension of state owner-ship and powers that will finally sink us.

How far do Labour leaders have to be pushed? Is their loyalry to their party machine, or to their voters? Yours faithfully.

I. G. ANDERSON, Cheriton House Farm, South Cheriton, Somerset. November 29.

From Mr Philip Goldenberg Sir, In your Editorial (November 23) on Mr Roy Jenkins's Dimbleby Lecture, you were right to say that proportional representation is unlikely to be achieved while the two largest parties (with honourable

individual exceptions) are resolutely opposed to its introduction for reasons of blatant self interest, a matter which incidentally, is currently the subject of an application to the European Commission on Human Rights.

on Human Rights.

Equally you were right to contemplate favourably what you termed a coalition of the centre. You were, however, wrong, an error you have consistently made in recent years, to think of such a coalition in terms of men rather than ideas, and in this context to relegate the Liberal Party to no greater role than a functional catalyst in its creation.

greater role than a functional catalyst in its creation.

There has been far too much woolly thinking, in which The Times has regrettably joined, to the effect that to bring together everybody of good will in a spectrum from, say, liberal Conservatives to the special demonstrative unufile in itself by social democrats would in itself be a solution to the problems posed by Mr Jenkins. This is too simplistic a solution.

The recent ideology of social democrats has been founded on an

assumption of continuous economic growth as providing the resources for a more egalitarian society. for a more egalitarian society. Growth having ended, they have become, as have liberal Conserva-tives, mere managers, humane but

without vision.

This country requires policies and ideas which, while centrist in the conventional left/right spectrum of dogmatism, are nevertheless radi-cal in concept, and it is significant that Mr Jenkins himself not only used the phrase "the radical centre", but also listed a range of policies of precisely this description, which overlap to a remarkable degree with those of the Liberal party: decentralization of power: liberty of individual conduct; internationalism; genuine industrial democracy; the creation of commu-nity values; and (implicitly) the whole range of environmental and ecological issues.

One of the most significant

features of the last General Election was Mrs Thatcher's appeal as a "conviction politician", attractive because she manifestly believed in a coherent set of principles, and voiced them. This point has not been lost on Mr Benn, who is of the same mould.

For the centre to be similarly attractive at the next election, it must have a clear vision and be Mr Jenkins's "radical centre", not the soggy antidote to Thatcherism that you seem to advocate. Yours faithfully,

PHILIP GOLDENBERG, Cherrydale, Hagden Lane, Watford, Hertfordshire.

Cost to Britain of the EEC From Lord Gladwyn

Sir, Mrs Thatcher says she wants Britain to remain in the European Economic Community and that she will never break Community law. She is alleged also to see value in the political development of the Community and even to contem-plate some role for it as regards defence. At the same time she insists on a complete balance in terms of cash between what we pay into the Community and what take out. These objectives are incompatible. Had it not been for the slump

fwhich is not our fault) and for our appalling industrial record (which is), we should of course, nor now be in such deficit on our EEC account. In 1972, for instance, we expected that more people would have left the land in France and elsewhere and gone into industry so that the Common Agricultural Policy would not have had to subsidize so many small holders and thus produce unwanted surpluses of food. The slump put paid to that. Also in 1972 we did not imagine that in eight years' time our industrial production per head would, on the average, be not much more than half that of our neighbours who can hardly be encouraged to

help us as a result. But we did realize in 1972 that, given an accep-tance of the Common Agricultural Policy, we should have at the end paying in considerably more than we were taking out. And this was justified since by going in we avoided much worse things that might have hoppened both politically and economically.

It follows that while the famous billion odd is "unfair" to us. the reduction of our net contribu-tion to zero would be equally "unto our partners. The Commission's scheme whereby we might reduce our net contribution something like £350 million is consequently a reasonable basis of negotiation. Nor should some concession by 1K on oil prices be excluded: if we are in the Com-munity we must look at things from a general Community point of view and a common energy policy is urgently needed if we are not all of us to fall victims to dire international events. Why, then, as Lord Carrington

says, make so much fuss about marginal sums when there are so many more important things to consider? His is the voice of reason. Yours faithfully, House of Lords.

Dearer in Britain From Mr V. C. C. Saunders

Sir, an your issue of November 26 you report a complaint made in the Automobile Association's latest hotels and restaurants guide of outrageous prices" charged for coffees and afternoon teas and exorbitant cover charges and vegetable

prices.

I think many of your readers will confirm my own view that excessive pricing over the whole field repre-sents a general criticism of British hotels and restaurants today. Last September my wife and I spent three weeks touring in France, a country also suffering from inflation and where the actual prices of food in shons are often dearer than here.
Yet consistently we found ourselves paying far less for hotel accommodation and restaurant meals than one would in comparable establishments here. For example, in quite a large hotel, not in the heart of the countryside but in Strasbourg, we paid only £10 (or

£12 including breakfast) for two sharing a well-appointed room with private bath. Likewise we found ourselves paying £10 or even less for excellent dinners for two including wine. One could never hope to find the same at such prices in this country.

What was even more surprising was that, when we crossed into West Germany for a few days, in spite Germany for a few days. In spite of the decline in the value of the pound to the mark in the last few years, we still found ourselves paying less than for the same in this country! I understand from those who have visited the USA that hotel and restaurant prices there likewise compare very favourably with those in Britain.

It is time that the public expressed itself more strongly on the over-pricing of British hotels and restaurants. Yours faithfully.

V. C. C. SAUNDERS, 42 Templar Road, Summertown, Oxford. November 27.

Sheriff's role From Mr G. E. McWatters

Sir. Your interesting article "High sheriffs in search of a new role in life" (November 23) records the imporence of this office today. as Captain Elwes suggests the High Sheriff should seek new forms of activity such as prison visiting, hospiral inspection etc. I believe evidence of need for these official visits should first be shown. Personally. I am sure that the respect for this office would be

improved if it were possible to select from a wider circle of sociery, but some form of allowance would have to be paid to meet travel and entertainment expenses. I have in mind the sort of arrangements that existed in Bristol for their Sheriff before they were taken over by Avon.

In those days successive Lord Mayors and Sheriffs gave admirable service to their City. It was public relations at high level and I believe the City benefited by having a team. of this sort working together.
A very close relationship must exist between the Lord Lieutenant,

High Sheriff and the Chairman of the County Council concerned if the High Sheriff is to undertake new duties. I am fortunate in Cambridgeshire to have this happy rela-tionship, but the County must decide what they feel their High Sheriff should do, and whether high level public relations activity the High Sheriff is of benefit to the County, socially, commer-cially and as a leader for raising money for charity. Yours faithfully. G. E. McWATTERS. Office of the Sheriff of Cambridge

shire, 39. Parkside,

Mountbatten statue From Miss Deborah Martyr

Sir, I am fed up with equestrien statues. Since Lord Mountbarten was last Viceroy of India, may I suggest an elephant. Yours, DEBORAH MARTYR. 32 Ingelow Road, SW8.

Reducing EEC farm spending

From the Financial Secretary to the

From the Financial Secretary to the Treasury

Sir, Mr Stanley Johnson, member of the European Parliament, wrote to you on November 27 about the position that I adopted on behalf of the Government in the EEC Budget Council on November 23. I should like, if I may, to put his remarks into perspective.

Let me start by saying that I greatly welcomed the clear message of the Parliament on the need to restrain and restructure expenditure arising from the common agricultural policy, as did ministers from other member states. In particular, I took pains to stress that we as a Government were entirely sympathetic with the Parliament's device to curb expenditure in the milk sector.

detre to curb expenditure in the milk sector.
However, while the Parliament's initiative was of the first importance, it was essentially a symbolic gesture. For it was not likely to achieve an actual cut in expenditure: transfer to the reserve chapter would not of itself have obviated a need for finance since budgetary provision, and actual expenditure, results in this area from the decisions taken by Government representatives in the Agricultural

Council.

I therefore took the lead in preposing that, if the Council were to decide not to accept the Parliament's proposed modifications, it should accompany this action with a statement explaining that the Council shared the objectives of the Parliament, and accepting the urgent need for corrective action. As a result of this British initiative, and after much discussion, a declaration was agreed by the ministers of seven member states, including myself, with only the ministers representing Italy and the Netherlands not being prepared to support it. This stated,

prepared to support it. This stated, inter alia, that:

"the Council agrees with the Parliament that early action by the Council is an essential step to secure a better balance within the agricultural sector of the Budget and within the Budget as a whole".

In my view the Budget Council has through this declaration made. has, through this declaration, made a significant contribution to progress on the reform of the common agricultural policy. Mr Johnson can therefore continue to go to his constituency and proclaim that the present Government is commit-ted to a reduction in EEC form spending. Yours, etc,

NIGEL LAWSON. Treasury Chambers Parliament Street, SW1.

Americans in Iran From Lord Gore-Booth

Sir. I am sure many British people will be grateful to the President of Wolfson College for his letter (November 30) abour British rela-tions with the United States.

The British seem to have fallen into the sad habit of belittling American successes and either ignoring or underplaying their burdens and difficulties as the world's leading democracy in a period of great tribulation. I hope, with Mr Morrison, that this country will find ways of being more generous in its public understanding and support of our American allies.

GORE-BOOTH, House of Lords.

Gladstone's return From Projessor Stephen Koss

Sir, Mr Ian Bradley's admirable account of "How Gladstone's whistle-stop campaign rocked the Tories" (November 24) may instruct yourself as well as your readers.

As he says: "The effect of the Midlothian campaign was to . . . make it certain that the Liberals would win the next election with Gladstone once again at their head." The Times, however, failed to draw

that obvious conclusion.

Exaggerating the divisions in
Liberal ranks, it complained on February 12, 1880, that "as an organized body the Opposition seems almost to have abandoned its functions". To quote Lord Blake: during the ensuing campaign, "the cautious Times wept crocodile tears about the damage to the two-party system likely to result from another. Liberal defeat.".

To preclude this possibility, and thereby to safeguard the constitution, The Times advocated a centre

party under the leadership of Lord Hartington. A hundred years after Midlothian.

the paper again urges the realignment of the "radical centre" Might one another "whistle-stop" be more practicable than a whistle in the dark ? Yours sincerely.

STEPHEN KOSS, Professor of History, Columbia University, All Souls College, Oxford.

Wasted harvest From Miss Lucy Jebb

Middlesex.

Sir, Having for many years made use of surplus apples and pears to produce an excellent wine, I wonder that one of the increasing number of commercial English vineyards does not try to process the fruit crop, which so conveniently follows on the time of grape harvest. Yours faithfully, LUCY IEBB. 1 Upper Butts, Bremford.

Wolfgang Amadeus Losey From Mr Charles D. Wroe

Sir, Mr Hector Eduardo Luisi (November 26) should stop complaining: Mozarr is lucky to have his name bracketed with that of a film maker. One of my children was given a gaudy colouring book illustrating the adventures of Walt Disney's Winnie the Pooh. Yours faithfully. CHARLES D. WROE, 3 Yeomans Way, Camberley,

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Advent and the prophet Isaiah's words of comfort

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CIRCULAR YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE November 30: The Duke of Kent, as Chancellor, today presided at the Ceremony for the Conferment of Higher Degrees at the University of Surrey.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard

Mrs Lewis Dixon-Brown gave birth to a daughter in London on Tues-day, November 27.

Buckley, RN, was in attendance.

A service in memory of Wilmarth Sheldon Lewis, of Farmington, Connecticut, will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, on Monday, December 3, at 3 pm.

Birthdays today

Lord Cross of Chelsea. 73; Dame Alicia Markova, 69; Sir William Pile. 60; Dame Mildred Riddelsdell, 66; Lord Rolf of Ipsden, 72; Air Chief Marshal Sir John Stacey, 56; Mr G. D. Squlbb. QC, 73. TOMORROW : Sir Raphael Cilento,

86; Sir David Davies. 70; Dame Adelaide Doughty, 71; Sir Walter Edmerson. 87; Mr Ian Finiav, 73; Sir Paul Grey. 71; Sir George Labouchere, 74.

Today's engagements

The century of Rubens and Rem-brandt, British Museum, 10-5. Children's art, Guildhall, City, 10.5.
Exhibition commemorating David
Garrick's Shakespeare jubilee in
1769, Bear Gardens Museum,
Bankside, 11-4.
Gulld of Lakeland Craftsmen
Christmas exhibition. Abbot Hall

St Edmund, King of East Anglia, was slain by the Danes in 870. Mr Stanley West, Suffolk county archaeologist, says he believes the site of his martyrdom is a field in Bradfield St Clare, a village arout five miles from Bury St Edmunds.

The new evidence is a nineteenth-century tithe map of Bury St Edmunds that gives the name of a field as Hellesdon. There is also strong historical evidence that Art Gallery, Kendal.

Charles Lamb Society, Molly Lefebre on "Dear Sara (Mrs Coleridge!", Mary Ward Centre.

Tavistock Place, Bloomsbury.

2.45.
Craft metalwork and jewelry exhibition.
House, Sudbury, Suffolk.
Concert, Salzburg Mozart Orchestra, Leeds Town Hall. 7.30.
Plymouth Silver Band, South-west and quarter championships. solo and quartet championships, Lower Guildhall, Plymouth, from

National cat club show. Grand Hall, Olympia, 10.30-5.30.

Tomorrow

The Prince of Wales attends memorial concert for Earl Mountbatten of Burma, Guildhall, Southampton, 7.35.
National exhibition of cage and aviary birds, Alexandra Palace, 10-5.30.

10-5.30.

Antiques and collectors fair. Bulls
Head Hotel, Royal Parade,
Chisiehurst, 11-5.30.

Concert, Vienna Boys' Choir,
Vivaldi, Haydn, Réger, Royal
Albert Hall, 3.

Concert recital by Hermann Prey,
Royal Opera House, Covent
Gerden, 8.

Walks: A Dickens' Christmas, meet St Paul's Underground station, 11; literary London, meet St Paul's Underground station, 2. Neustatter, Mr Walter Lindesay, of Notting Hill Gate .. £127,740 **ENTERTAINMENTS**

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people." For many British people, no words are more evocative of the beginning of the Christmas season than these opening words from the fortieth chapter of Isaiah. The reason for this is that they are the opening words of Handel's Messiah, which appears to retain its popularity undi-minished through all the changes of fashion.

In their own setting, of course, these words do not refer to the birth of the Messiah but are part of a prophecy of Israel's return from captivity in Babylon. That exile was a terrible crisis because removal from the Promised Land intplied rejection by Israel's God. The propher's comforting word is that God bas forgiven Israel and that a way back through the wilderness is now being prepared. Mankind is weak and transitory but God stands fast. He is no man-made idol and has power to renew his people even when the youngest and the strongest fail.

New theory

on death of

St Edmund

Irom Our Correspondent lpswich

A Suffolk archaeologist says he has evidence that St Edmund, the martyr, was killed in a field in a village just outside Bury St Edmunds and not at Hoxne, near Diss, or Hellesdon, near Norwich. St Edmund, King of East Anglia, and claim by the Dance in End

also strong historical evidence that St Edmund was killed and huried

in the area. Mr West says the theory that Hoxne is the site of St Edmund's death was just medieval gloss and there was nothing to suggest that Hellesdon, near Norwich, was the site.

Mr Edward James Bartord, of Westminster, landowner, who founded Aveling Bartord (now a BL subsidiary) in 1933, left £2,563.081 net.

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which makes this passage par-ticularly appropriate for the Christian season of Advent. What excites the prophet most is not merely the prospect of the return but the discovery that God has not forsaken his people. Confronted by the taunts of their captors, Israel in exile must often have wondered whether their vocation as God's chosen people was not a delusion and whether their God was no different from the idols. They are now assured that they will not only return but also receive a fresh revela-tion of his glory and his

George Adam Smith translates the next phrase, a speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem" as "speak bome to the heart of Jerusalem". Recalling that they were written in exile, when the city was still in when the city was still in ruins, he says that God is encouraging the prophet to speak initially in the language

The engagement is announced be-tween Stephen, son of Mr and Mrs M. H. Fisher, of London, and

Mr T. Hutchings and Miss N. C. Arredondo Pérez

The engagement is announced between Timothy Hutchings, of London, formerly of Bristol, and Nora Cecilia Arrendondo Pérez, of Medellin, Colombia.

The engagement is announced be-tween William Macnair, Queen's Own Highlanders (Seaforth and Camerous), edest son of Mr James and Dr Margaret Macnair, of 29 Gilston Road, SWIO, and Char-lotte, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gavin Doyle, of Highgate, No.

The engagement is announced be-tween Nicholas, son of Mr and Mrs D. R. Quartley, of Berkham-

sted, Hertfordshire, and Freda, younger daughter of the late Pro-fessor L. C. Harmer, of Cam-bridge, and Mrs Harmer.

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ALL SAIN'S. Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.15: HM. 11. The Archibahop of Armagh. Misse Brevis: Palestrine: Advent carols and readings. 3. South Audiev Street: HC, 8.15; sung Encharist. 11. Missa Brevis: Berkeley: A Hear ye Israel (Mendelsohn: Hev II) Thurdum Euclichen (Mendelsohn: Hev II) Land Euclichen (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Hear ye Israel (Mendelsohn: Hev II) Land Euclichen (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Hev II) Land Euclichen (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Hev II) Land Euclichen (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Heven (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Heven (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Her (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: A Her (Mendelsohn: Berkeley: Mendelsohn: Berkeley: Mendelsohn: Berkeley: Mendelsohn: Mend

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hear his more bracing words.
Only thus will she find the
new vitality which will make
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Adam Smith goes out to suggest that the familiar words, set to a much-lowed Handel aris. "He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He His flock like a shepherd: He Babylon, alchough there are only be that of a vague semi-shall gather the lambs plenty of closer parallels in mentality, deriving from a God with His arms, and carry them others perts of the world. We who is no more than another in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young" are intended as a contrast to the conditions of the forced march to exile which Assyrian sculptures still exist), when they were fettered and soldiers tossed aside those too weak to keep up the pace.

While adherents of Judaism will read this chapter of Isaiah in a different light, it is not surprising that, when Chrisrians came to consider the way in which God visited us in and his own received him not, great humility in Jesus Christ, and we are all to be included they saw in it the prelignre among those who did not ment of his coming as the Mes-receive him. Advent reminds

Mr P. B. Morton and Miss A. D. Withington

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and Miss E. S. Thomson
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between Timothy, youngest son
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The engagement is announced between David Edmund, elder son of Mrs M. W. Stevens and the late Mr John E. Stevens, of Brighton, and Patricia Margaret, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Brittain, of Woking.

Service dinners

prepared a way back through the wilderness of our lives, all ing a space within us to in sharp contrast to the way in rebuild the former desolations which we had turned away and making us again a temple we had turned away

from him.
It would be over-dramatic to see the position of the Christian community in modern the tenor sings at the beginBritain as like that of Israel in ning of Handel's Messiah can
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incarnation of what it truly means to be Israel. Yet He was rejected, and made an exile in his own land, crucified outside the city. He came unto his own

It is this emphasis on the of affection, "masking grace siah He spoke home to our us that, although we have for greatness of God and the by grace", to lift her gently hearts with gentle courtesy, saken him, he has not forsaken steadfastness of his purpose out of despair before she can masking grace with grace, and us. He has taken our evil into which makes this passage part, hear his more bracing words.

for his Spirit___.

OBITUARY

Miss. Joyce Grenfell, OBE.

the entertainer and actress died at the age of 69 in London yesterday. She made her first

appearance on the stage in

1939, and for the rest of her life remained a gently mocking, affectionstely anused commentator on English manners and social customs, endearing her-

self to audiences in the theatre

She remained an extremely effective broadcaster, with an unusual ability to create a character out of no more than

ntonations and mannerisms of

in which Stephen Potter looked

in which Stephen Potter looked caustically at English habits. By this time, she had built up a large repertory of monologues and songs (for which Richard Addinsell composed the music) and began to devise the solo performances which took her beyond the West End Theatre, with its socially and geographically limited audiences, as far as the United States, where she was first seem in 1955 at the

was first seen in 1955 at the Bijou Theatre, New York. On television, too, she won unusual

In many ways ber success was surprising. Her view of things

and people was amusing, essentially kindly, sometimes carry but never harsh. Pathos passed her by, and she was too disciplined, and conscious, an artist to attempt what she knew was beyond her reach, so that

her nearest approach to it was

popularity.

and the cinema.

the radio. 🗆

MISS JOYCE GRENFELL

Actress and Broadcaster

Without some understanding man-made idol. It is essential dispiritedness and are troubled to remember that these words were spoken noe before but the prophet's reminder that after the prophet had faced our faith is one which comes that possibility, in the harshest through rebirth and restora- of circumstances, and discovered that this God is not an Christians believe that Jesus idol. He knew only too well was God's faithful servant, the what it means to be dispirited incarnation of what it truly and to doubt. The comfort he promises is real because he has discovered that the God of Israel lives, and that he for-

gives and renews and restor Daniel Jenkins Minister, Regent Square United Reformed Church

Royal Scottish Corporation Royal Scottish Corporation
The anniversary ferilwal diamer of
the Scottish Hospital of the
Foundation of King Charles IIwas held at the Savoy hotel jast
night. The Earl of Selkirk QC,
presided and other speakers were
the Earl of Minro, Lord Balfour
of Burleigh, Mr Donald J. Stewart, MP, and Group Capt the Rey
Donald S. Wallace. The Moderator of the General Assembly of
the Church of Scotland and Mrs.
Barbour were among the guests.

Anglo-Indonesian Society
The annual dinner of the AngloIndonesian Society was held at
the Baltic Exchange on Thursday,
November 29. Baroness Vickers,
chairman, presided and the princhair sasslater wars I cod Physic Jones and Ambassador.

Français de Londres nock place at Bells Brothers Restaurant, Strand, yesterday. Mr Alain-François Evans, president, was in the chair and the guest of honour was Mr Anthony Morgan.

Midland and Oxford Circuit Bar

Mess A dinner was given yesterday by the Midland and Oxford Chronic

Luncheon

The engagement is announced between Peter Bruce, elder son of Corporation of London The Lord Mayor and Mr Alder-man and Sheriff Christopher Leaver attended a luncheon of the Police Committee held in honour of the past chairman, Mr Kenneth the late Bruce Morton, DSO, DFC, MBE, and Mrs Elsie Morton, of Highgare, London, N5, and Alison Diana, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Withington, of Bucknell, Shropshire. ballard, in the Crypt of Guildhall yesterday. Mr Ivan F. Luckin, chairman, presided and Sir David McNee, Commissioner. Metropolitan Police, also spoke. Others present included: Mr M. H. W. Perrin
and Miss S. H. Forrest
The engagement is announced
between Martin, twin son of Mr
H. F. Robert Perrin, of Little
Heath, Limpsfield Chart, Surrey,
and the late Mrs Perrin, and
Hazel, twin daughter of Mr and
Mrs J. A. Porrest, of Battery
Point, Lochgoilhead, Argyli.

present included:
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Peter Marshell. Commissioner of the
City of London Police, chief constables
of other county constabliates, manbers of the City of London and matropolition police forces and members and
officers of the Corporation of London,

Dinners

Royal Society
The Royal Society held an
anniversary dinner at the Dorchester hotel yesterday. The
speakers were Lord Todd, OM.
president of the society, Sir John
Mason, treasurer, and Sir John
Greenborough. Among others Among others Greenborough.



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the Midland and Oxford Circuit Bar Mess at the Inner Temple to honour the appointment to the High Court Bench of Mr. Justice French and Mr. Justice Woolf.

Among Others present were:

Str. George Baker. Lord Justice Profess. Mr. Justice Swanwick. Mr. Justice Swanwick. Mr. Justice Rows. Mr. Justice Forbes. Mr. Justice Rown. Mr. Justice Stephons. Mr. Justice Stephons. Mr. Justice Stephons. Mr. Justice Stephons. Mr. Justice Coff. Mr. Justice Buth. Mr. Justice Wood. Mr. Justice Drake. Mr. Doogles Deagcott. QC. and Mr. Justice Drake. Mr. Doogles Deagcott. QC. and Mr. Justice Drake. Mr. Doogles Deagcott. QC. and Mr. Justice Drake. Mr. Doogles Deagcott. QC. and

Science report in pregnancy

By Our Medical Correspondent
The standard advice given by doctors that sexual intercourse may safely be continued throughout pregnancy may have to be revised in the light of a research study programcy may have to be revised in the light of a research study from the United States. That has shown that infection of the ammifrom the United States. That has shown that infection of the amniotic fluid surrounding the unborabby, a rare hot sections complication of late pregnancy, occurred more frequently among women who had had sexual intercourse in the month of pregnancy. While no proof is advanced for the mechanism of infection in these cases, the report concludes that it is likely to be caused by bacterial contamination during sexual intercourse of the cervix. in the month before the birth of their babies.

in the month before the birth of their bables.

The survey, organized by the US National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke, was based on records of 27,000 pregnancies. In each case the afterbirth was examined for evidence of infection in the amniotic fluid. The frequency of infection was 155 per thousand births in the women who had had intercourse late in pregnancy as compared with 117 per thousand in those who had not.

More important, the women who reported having had sexual intercourse had more severe infections.

entrance to the pregnant uterus.
Whatever the reasons for the association, the conclusions seem

intra-uterine infection is small, there were only 134 deaths from that cause in the 27,600 pregnancies, prevention should be possible either by abstention from sexual intercourse late in preg-nancy or by fastidious attention to bygiene, or possibly the use of a contraceptive sheath.

Medicine: Infection

Source: New England Journal of Medicine, 29 November 1979, p119

The night sky in December

By Our Astronomical Correspondent

Mercury will reach greatest elonga-tion on the 7th when it will rise about two hours before the Sun. At 07th it will be in the South-east at an altitude of about 8° and magnitude -0.3. Over the next few days it will brighten, but will set Venus is a bright object in the

earlier.

Venus is a bright object in the South-west, setting about an hour after the Sun at the beginning of the momb and nearly three hours at the end. Owing to its large southerly declination it will be very low in the UK sky. Unless the sky is very clear right down to the horizon, the planet is unlikely to be seen in the first three weeks of the moath. The Moon will be 5° north of it on the 21st.

Mars is a morning object, rising early enough to appear on our map, where the arrow shows its motion during the month. The Moon will be near it on the 10th. It will overtake Jupiter, less than 2° north of it, on the 13th.

Jupiter rises before midnight, but it is not quite on the map. It is considerably brighter than its reddish neighbour Mars. It will be close to both Mars and the Moon by the time it rises on the 10th.

Saturn is further east than the

Saturn is further east than the last two and near the Leo-Virgo boundary. By the end of the month, it will be rising before midnight. The Moon will be very

near to it on the 12th.
Uranus is a morning star in
Libra, rising between 06h and 04h Uranus is a morning star in Libra, rising between 6th and 6th as the month proceeds. It is not visible to the naked eye.

Neptune will be in conjunction with the Sun on the 12th.

The Moon fall 24 10th.

Sunrises a week or so after.

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 8d 23h, 11d 20h, 28d 24h and 31d 21h. Mira Ceti reached maximum in early October and is now hardly a maked even object.

October and is now hardly a naked eye object.

On this month's man, Leo is only just rising, but later in the month it will be well clear of the horizon. The distribution of the planets in this constellation is of interest. The magnitude of the leading star of the group, Regulus, is 1.3, and it is far outshone by juniter to the east of it at -1.7 and thus over 16 times as luminous.

This planet is almost stationary with respect to the stars and will reverse its motion from direct to retrograde on the 27th.

On the other hand, its neighbour Mars, magnitude 0.5 and brighter

will be in the same field of view on that evening. At the end of the month, it will be to east of Jupiter and below the middle stars of Len.
Further east again, rising between midnight and 23h and well

magnitude is 1.2 and thus comparable with Regulus.

This planet is moving eastward but so slowly that its motion during the month will be hardly noticeable. Its rings are not wisible in small telescopes at present.

Earlier in the evening, the western half of the stey is still dominated by the summer triangle. This consists of the three first magnitude exerc beneh in Compar.

the form of a traditional cross and at this time of year, as it drifts from west to north-west, it can be

MR ZEPPO MARX

Mr Zeppo (Herbert) Marx, Stage successes in the 192 Zeppo appeared in the first h.

The Cocoanuts (1929), Anim Crackers (1930), Mankey Bus ness (1931), Horse Feathe (1932) and probably the be though a box office failure the time, Duck Soup (1933). Zeppo was the straight no who provided the ruman relief, but this role becar harder to sustain amid the anarchic bumour of the other than the control of the and after Duck Soup he retir from films to start an age, business. Though Groucho for stalled a possible drop in for for the smaller team by claims. "without Zeppo we are we double", Zeppo's influence mained. "Whenever we have new joke", said Groucho." try it out on Zeppo. II langus, we scrap it. Of a other brothers, Chico died; 1961, Harpo in 1964 and Grous and Groucho in 1977.

HERON

clans, Zeppo on the saxophone.

Sir Edgar Tonner, CBE, the Australian sports administrator, died in Melbourne on November 21. He managed the Australian team at the 1948 Olympic Games in London, was organizing secretary for the 1956 Melbourne Olympic Games and was president of the Australian Olympic Federation her intro-uction into the Ho

From The Times of Thursday,

a week; and for a martied to from 54s to 65s a week. The rate for widows' pensions wit 40s, and the widows' allow for the first 13 weeks will

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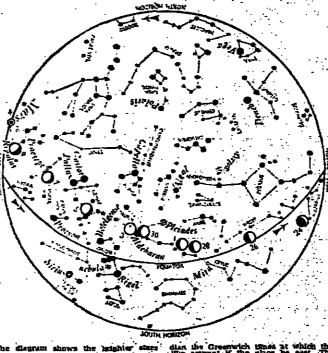
The Speaker of the House of Commons attended a reception given by Dr Gerard Vaughan, Minister of State for Health. Department of Health and Social Security, at the House of Commons, yesterday evening, to inaugurate the year of office of the new president, Mr B. J. Nash-Wortham.

Service dinners Hawke Term (1929-1933), RN College, Dartmouth To mark the fiftieth anniversary of joining the Royal Navy, the Hawke Term, Royal Naval College, Dartmouth (1929-1933), held a dinner at HMS Excellent, by permission of the commanding officer, last night. Those present included: Vice-Admiral D. H. Mason; Captains E. A. S. Balley, R. Gatchouse, R. F. Lloyd, J. G. B. Morrow, J. S. Sievens and H. R. Webber; Commanders D. C. Beatly, R. G. H. G. Eyre, J. B. H. Perring, P. H. B. Taylor, and J. Wood: Lieutonant-Commanders J. O. H. Burrough, J. R. A. Deene, W. W. Dennis, and the Roy H. Wake: Malur S. E. Bolitho, J. R. A. Deene, W. W. Dennis, and the Roy H. Wake: Malur S. E. Bolitho, N. Carrey and Mr D. V. Hugonin. 1st Regiment, Royal Horse

Ist Regiment, Royal Horse
Artillery
Past and present officers of the
1st Regiment (The Chestout Troop.
B. E. and HQ batteries), Royal
Horse Artillery, held their annual
reunion dinner at the Royal
Artillery Mess, Woolwich, last
night. Lieutenant-Colonel H. H.
Mews, RHA, presided, Field
Marshal Sir Geoffrey Baker, the
Lord Mayor of Nottingham and
the Mayor of Sheffield, were
guests of homour. guests of honour. 2 Squadron, Honographe Artillery

2 Squadron, Honograpic Archiery
Company
The annual dinner of 2 Squadron,
Honographe Artillery Company
took place at Armoury House
yesterday. Major S. A. Sellon
presided. The principal guests were
General Sir Richard Worsley and
Colonel B. A. Kay.

The King's Regiment
The 8th, 63rd and 96th Regiments
Officers' Dinner Club held their
annual dinner in the officers'
mess, 1st Bn. The King's Regiment,
Roman Barracks, Colchester, last
night. Colonel Sir Geoffrey
Errington, Colonel of the Regiment, presided.



with the Sun on the 12th.

The Moon: full, 3d 18h; last quarter, 11d 14h; new, 19d 08h; first quarter, 25d 05h.

The solstice, when the Sun will reach its most southerly declination, will be at 22d 11h, but the earliest sunsets will be about 10 days before that date and the latest sunsets a week or so after.

Will be in the same field of view. below the tail of the Lion Dene-bola (mag. 2.2), is Saturn. Its magnitude is 1.2 and thus compar-

> magnitude stars Deneb in Cygnus. Vega in Lyra and the orightest of the three, and Altair in Aquila. Cygnus, pictorially a Swan is in

seen upright with the long, arm, towards the horizon—the Swan is diving straight into the see.

At this time of year, too, the Plough, part of Ursa Major, appears in the northern sky exactly of it deaven in manufar harder. as it is drawn in popular books, whereas Cassiopeia is near the zenith and sometimes difficult to

notes and as possibly there are some new readers, it might be well to explain some of the terms used.

"Mercury will reach greatest clongation." Elongation is the angular distince from the Sun measured parallel with the eclip-fic the angula path of the Sun. measured parallel with the echiptic, the annual path of the Sunanong the stars.

Elongation on the 7th, 21°, is the greatest for this apparation, owing to the ellipticity of the orbit greatest clongation of Mexical varies from 18° to 25°.

Newtone 1 in conjunction 1 has elongation zero and is, therefore, in the same direction as the Sun.



the analyst of one essent English type. The surpris American audiences and m classes in England. which were among the few social pleasures of wartime, and she returned to appear in several more—Light and Shade at the Ambassadors, Sigh No More, Tuppence Coloured and Penny Plain at the Globe.

It did so, of course, been the imagination with which their comic distresses emberrassments, and essential, likeable good-hum of every word, every gest and every intonation. She m kindly fun of her friends she never derided those speech and she was an essential disliked anybody, for part of the series How to ... radiant kind-heartedness ne mentioned anyone in unlikely category.

Among other films in wh Joyce Grentell appeared Pper's Pub, in 1949, The Gali ing Major, Pickwick Papers the St Trinian's series. She known for her appearances the BBC series Face the Ma and this week spoke a trib to Nancy Astor in a televi documentary on her aunt. When she retired from

stage six years ago she retur to her first love writing, autobiography Jouce Gren Requests the Pleasure wh appeared in 1976 was one her books, and she contriba-light verse to Punch and poe to The Observer. She was member of the Pilkington Co 1962 and was President of Society of Women Writers a Broadcasters. Her husband, Reginald Ga

BARONESS

SKRIMSHIRE

Your factual obituary. nor convey the personal re-ties that made Betty But Anderson such a remarks

person. No one better combine qualities of a parlian tarian with a wide concern individual human beings

On a recent visit she sout Ralph Morton, who

in his new position. Only is she died did it transpire if

she had launched an app with others to set him will

his sub post office at had ham, a position he could no have achieved without fift. She was the first woman occupy the Speaker's Chair did it with such quiet disting that the unique achieves the country that the coun

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tion the Scottish portfolio had to refuse it because

views on devolution were

at variance with Consect

Party policy; in the end Party changed to her view

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political nous than

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a little quiet seriousness to yany fell, whom she married in 15 her programmes. fell, whom she Her subject matter was the survives her.

is the brothers h

youngest and last surviving member of the Marx Brothers comedy team died in Palm Springs, California, yesterday There were originally five brothers — Chico, Harpo, Groucho and Gummo were the others—born in New York to Sam Marx, an unsuccessful tailor, and his wife, Minnie, who had both emigrated to the United States from Germany. On stage from childhood, the boys were organized by their formidable mother into a vaudeville act that was variously known as Six Musical Mascots, the Four Nightingales and the Four Marx Brothers (Zeppo having replaced Gummo, who had not returned to the stage after serving in the First World War). Apart from their comic gifts all were talented musi-

HIS HON JUDGE

His Honour Judge Heron, who died on November 27 at the age of 68, had been a Circuit Judge nor convey the persona Cuthbert George Heron was Curhbert George Heron was born, the son of Lieurenant-Commander Heron and Kate Heron, on April 8, 1911. He was educated at St Bede's College, Manchester and Manchester University where he graduated LLB. He was admitted solicitor in 1924 and solicitor. more than 30 years was to clerk in charge of the M Office in the Rouse of Comons to see how he had not in 1934 and called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1944. During the war he served in the

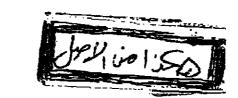
He served on the Oxford Circuit and was Recorder of Lichfeld from 1968 to 1971, being made Hon Recorder in 1972 From 1972 to 1974 he was a Recorder of the Crown Court at the end of which period he was appointed a Circuit Judge. He married in 1937, Maud Mary Joseph Hogan, They bad one son and one daughter.

from 1973 to 1977. . . . of Lords.

25 years ago Pensions of 40s

Tensions of 40s
The Government's proposals for increasing national insurance benefits, and war disability pensions were announced in the House of Commons year reasons and National Insurance. The standard rate of retirement pension at minimum pension age as well as of unemployment benefit and dickness benefit is to be increased from 32s 5d for a single person to 40s

treased from 37s to 45s. allowances payable with disablement pensions W disablement pensions will increased. Under both there will be appropriate in the allowances for child



ntury for ycott **England** slow

Special Correspondent

h Geoffrey Boycott scored ith first-class century, did not make the best given first use of an ed wicket here today ok nearly four-and-a-half Eaching 214 for three in a fast over-rate and in tes at the end of a windy aged only one Tagmanian Dilley taking a good catch off Underwood.

Davison, who have

Davison, who has d Jack Simmons as a's captain, believed there agh moisture in the pitch his new-ball bowlers, one his new-ball bowlers, one twas the New Zealander. Hadlee heat once early on and had rouble in two later spells. In the shine went off the litious were all in favour lating. The wind blew day across the plateau sich the ground is juely set in the shadow t Welkington and bowlers into it had a job to keep ance.

ance.

Boycott's first hundred class cricket in Australia y Hitngworth's tour nine o. He seldom looked in so but, apart from a few own the wicket to drive ners, he let the bowlers o him. He scored 37 in rs in the afternoon and his hundred 40 minutes. Hadlee hit him on the with a lifting ball at 37 the shoulder with a when he was 92, but semblance of a chance 81 when a mistimed drive out of Davison's reach midwicket.

Was out after an hour

s was out after an hour mistakenty thought a bail adman, an offspin bowler, off his pads past the ser—and was stumped. It alucky end to a promising a which he timed the bail

I was out of touch and cott content to wait for he could tuck safely 18, 36 overs in the morniced only 84. Goodman's overs cost 33 and the 5 which were given away m Campbell, who bowled arm wrist spin over the o an offside field. He satisfaction of beating men with his googly and ned a chinaman prodigitueen Boycott's bat and it was with a long-hop broke the partnership ad added 89, in two hours minutes. Randall, never ich way the ball would

Correspondent

loyd, the West Indian had an exploratory

loyd, the West Indian had an exploratory on his damaged right ydney this morning, as a f which his cricketing in some doubt. Although on disastrous was found likely to play again for a and recovery at the age ricularly for a knee that a lot of punishment in

their first Test match usuralia starting here tothis is the worst possible the West Indians. Lloyd them to some notable since he livst took over uncy from Roban Kanhai including two victories in

including two victories in ld Cup at Lord's and a comfortably won in in 1976. His worst defeat in was in Australia in He has been at his best licent player, and is still when fit, of a devastating In England last summer tenth in the first-class though then, too, his i troubling him.

i troubling him.

West Indians only Sobers his (79) and Kanhai (79) yed in more than Lloyd's manches. Deryck himray, I now lead West Indies where them two years before to Cambridge in 1965. He captained West Indies Ithough at Georgetown in whist Pakistan, he took in Lloyd after only an lay on the first day.

y is the first day.

y is the first Trintdadian West Indies since Jeff er did so against England 4; more remarkably, he ourth Cambridge man to

Nov 30

yd's knee injury puts

future in some doubt



On the up : Boycott on the way to his century.

turn, hit it firmly to Goodman at midwicket.

Gooch did his best to make up lost time, driving a good length ball from Wilson, a medium-paced bowler, perfectly past extra-cover and later hooking a six off Blizzard, a quickish left-hand bowler who played for Heaton in the Bolton league last summer. He was one of six members of the Tasmanian side to have spent the season in England, Davison and Hadlee in the championship and the others in the northern league. Blizzard and Smith were on government scholarships worth \$A5,000.

Dilley bowled menacingly with

Dilley bowled menacingly with the new ball downwind and was unlucky not to take a wicket. With Willis slow to find his rhythm, Dilley has been England's fastest bowler on the tour and with his strong action and high arm has been making even the best batsmen hurty. He best Knight and Goodman with lift and pace and was twice edged over the slips

F. C. M. Alexander being the

for fours. Lever battled hard into the wind, but it was Under-wood who took the wicket, Knight sweeping him to Dilley in a spell of five successive maidens.

ENGLAND XI: First Innings
Boycott, not out
Larkins, at Woolley, b Goodman
W. Randall, C Goodman, b
A. Gooch, c Hadlee, b Campbell
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Extras (1-b 4, n-b-3) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57. 2-126. -314. BOWING: Hadles, 13 5-17-0; BOWING: Hadles, 13 5-17-0; BOWING: Hadles, 13 5-17-0; 25-0; Goodman, 23-7-59-1; ampbell, 16.3-1-57-2.

Rageeb spins out four on drying pitch

Amritsar, Nov 30. — The Paklstani left-arm spinner Abdul Raqeeb, took four North Zone Raqueb, took four North Zone wickers for 68 runs on the second day of the three-day cricket match here, which seems certain to end in a draw.

After a blank day yesterday be-cause of rain, North Zone scored 191 for seven by teatime and de-clared. Pakistan were 78 for three in reply by the close. North Zone, with four former Test players in the side, made a good start after being sent in to bat on a drying wicket. They had 101 on the board with only one wicket down, but lost six wickets in two hours as they attempted to go for quick runs.

to go for quick runs.

Arun Lai, who is trying to get into the Indian Test side, bit 43, with eight fours, and Surinder Amaruath made 42 in assisting him in a second wicket partnership of 68.

The Pakistanis lost Sadiq Mohammad and Talat Mirza cheaply, but Majid Khan helped the score along with a lively 36 not- out, which included five boundaries.

F. C. M. Alexander being the others.

Being 36 there can be no long-term future for Murray as the West. Indian captain, whatever comes of Lloyd. Of their younger players. Kallicharran, who is 30, and Richards, 27, could have some years in the job. Kallicharran is on the tour committee out here and he led West Indies during the great schism. It requires no great imagination to see England being captained by Ian Botham and West Indies by Vivian Richards within the next few years and for them both to be playing for Somerset under Brian Rose.

Tomorrow's Test match comes at just the wrong time for other West Indians than Lloyd. Greenidge, Richards, Kallicharran and Haynes, all of whom will be playing, are nursing injuries of one kind or another, and since arriving in Australia, King has had a succession of nosebleeding attacks. Greenidge, in fact, is decidedly lame. Richards, who is having trouble with his right hip, though no one suggested that it might be the beginnings of arthritis, will have a formight off after the match, except for playing in the one-day game against Australia on December 9.

England's invalid, Hendrick, is expected to have to decide this weekend whether he will be justified in staying on in Australia. There would be no point in his weight, and there is not much chance of that at the moment. Having been prone to injury in his early days as a Test cricketer, he seemed to have got out of that when he broke down again in the last of last summer's Test matches against India at the Oval.

Australia: G. S. Changelt, B. Huspes, D. Hookes, FR. Warsh, B. Hookes, FR. Hoog, C. Husp. C. boundaries.

Talat Mirza was dismissed by the medium fast bowler Yog Raj for five and Sadiq, struggling to regain his touch, was leg-before to Sunil Valson after he had scored only 13 runs. Sadiq's previous scores on the tour were 6, 18 and 0. He was dropped for the first Test.

The Pakistanis are resting some of their best players, including the captain, Asif Iqbal and Zaheer Abbas, who played in the drawn first Test at Bangalore. They have played three maiches on the tour and all have been drawn. Tomorrow will be a rest day because of a religious festival and the game will be resumed on Sunday.

SCORES: North Zone, 191 for 7 dot (Arun Lai 43; A. Rageeb 4 for 68-Pakistanis 78 for 3. Middlesex signings

Middlesex have signed Rajesh Maru, aged 17, a slow left-arm

bowler, and Kevan James, aged 18, a left-hand batsman and left-

Somerset champions, in the semifinal round. Morlands bear Marlborough last week on penalty
strokes and they face a strong.
Isca side led by Harris and well
supported by the experienced
Undertill, Whitby, Sainsbury and
Pickering.

The winners meet Jersey who
have reached the final by default,
Penzance having declined a weekend trip to this Channel Island.
So Jersey and either Morlands or
Isca will move into the national
rounds, starting on February 16.
Hounsiow are not competing in
today's London League matches
because they are taking part in
the two-day invitation indoor
tournament, sponsored by Glenfiddich, at Aliender Sports Centre,
Glasgow. There are two groups
here, Western (holders), Hounslow, Menzieshill and Chydesdal,
in group A; Perthabire, ICI
Grangemouth, Murray Metals
(formerly Granwood) and Bishopbriggs in group B. The final will
be played at 3.0 tomorrow.

Lancashire will be without John
Badley for their county championship match tomorrow against
Northumberland. He has an eye
injury and his place on the right
wing is taken by Bennett a member of the winning Lancashire side
two sessons ago. They must win
by three goals to keep their
chances alive. arm fast bowler, for next summer Simon Hughes, aged 20, a right-arm fast bowler at Durham University, will join Middlesex during the summer vscation.

Rugby Union

Wales aim for first **B** victory in France

Rugby Correspondent Rogoy Correspondent
Bourg-en-Bresse. Nov 30
This weekend the representative spotlight switches across the channel where Wales B are playing France B here tomorrow and on Sunday France are meeting Romania in Montauban.

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Romania with Montauban.
Romania with down to Wales by one point (13—12) in Cardiff in October and France have chosen a side which is different in five positions from that which defeated Scotland, 21—17, at Parc des Princes last March. The standoff half, Alain Caussade, is back in harness with Jerome Gallion. Didies Codorniou, a diminutive centre, replaces Belascain. There are three new hames in the pack—Philippe Dintrans (hooker), Patrick Salas (prop) and Jean-Plerre Christina (no 8).
Caussade, Codorniou and Dintrans played in both the internationals in New Zealand last summer which resulted in scores (France's first) of 9—23 and 24—19. Salas played at lock in the first of these and at No 8 in the second. In modern times an appearance in a different row of the scrummage in three successive internationals must constitute a record. Guy Cholley, capped only twice in the championship Jast season, has not been named as a reserve at prop. Nor has Armand Vacquerin, who got the vote when Cholley did not.

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France never seem able to tour overseas with their strongest side. Roland Bertrame, the most capped of French backs, and Jean-

Francois Gourdon were two of those who missed the New Zealand trip but they are playing on Sunday, at centre and wing respectively.

respectively.

Serge Blanco, whose running for the B side at full-back last season caused quine a stir, was one of those who toured New Zealand but he could not supplant Jean-Michel Aguirre in the internationals. Now Blanco plays for the B XV against a Welsh side that has yet to win this fixture in France. Wales have chosen 10 new caps.

France. Wale; have chosen 10 new caps.

It will not have escaped the notice of the two Welsh wings, Colin Donovan and Leslie Keane, that Jeffrey Griffiths, who 20t the only Welsh try against Romania, has not been scoring for Llanelli since that game. Donovan is a prolific try scorer for Maesteg, and Keane, the hig. strong Aberavon wing, had an impressive game for Welsh full-back in that Romanian match in Cardiff, is out of the running at the moment with a back injury. So Dr Peter Lewis, who piles up the points for Pontypool, now gets his chance. Perhaps the most interesting selection in the forwards is that of Michael Leach, a north Wallan flanker, now playing for Waterloo, who Impressed the selectors by his performance against the Romanians at Colwyn Bay. However, the Welsh are young and on the small side so they may have problems winning the ball.

Inconsistency could be Scottish undoing at Bath against Bristol, who will be at full strength apart from Hignell. Newport went down, 21—10. to Pontyprid on Wednesday night while Bristol were beating Aheravon, 34—3. It was Newport's seventeenth consecutive defeat in domestic rugby, a sequence broken only by a win against the South African Barbarians on October 27. A dreadful run of injuries and some mexperienced stand-ins help to explain this. Gareth Evans, Newport's British Lion wing, who recently wrenched ankle ligaments in the Welsh Cup first round, could be out for a further six weeks. Coventry are hardly the force

By Richard Streeton By Richard Streeton

English clubs are left free to resume their routine fixtures today, almost unaffected by the Ireland v Scotland and France v Wales B internationals in Dublin and Bourg-en-Bresse. England have been slow to become involved in B internationals which are a fairly new area of activity. As the continued ascendancy of the All Blacks is mulled over in clubhouses up and down the land perhaps England would benefit from increasing their B commitments.

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Coventry are hardly the foxte they used to be, but they invariably play well at Richmond. There are also two important merit table games in the capital with Harlequins meeting Blackheath and Wasps at home to Rosslyn Park.

Park have a crisis at tighthead prop. Cutter, Hinton and Gary Claxton are unfit. Peter Warfield, a former England centre, switches to stand-off balf in place of Mark Naylor, who is injured, and Fluskey comes into the threequarter line.

Claxton, a member of England's training party, has been dropped by Harlequins and Blackheath welcome back their captain, Ian Williamsoo. Both universities complete their programmes before Bath, who have claims to be Bath, who have claims to be considered one of the more successful English clubs this winter, should be too strong today for London Scottish, whose inconsistency continues to ick their followers. The Scottish have beaten Bath in their last two meetings but face a struggle this time. Risk plays at centre for the absent Friell; Bath are at full strength with Lye replacing Simon Jones in the back row on rota.

At Northampton Llanelli are the visitors. Northampton, seeking their sixth successive win, hope to field the side that won the club's centenary game last week against an international XV.

Newport can only be mildly optimistic that their dismal season will pick up at Rodney Parade

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Isca could be

Roman holiday

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By Sydney Friskin

Real Tennis

Cull and Johnson vary pace to wear down opponents By Sydney Friskin Isca, inter-league hockey champions, can make the weekend a Roman holiday. Isca Dumonorium was the Roman name for Exeter, but the club representing this city decided to be identified as Isca because the name was too long, particularly for a track suit. As West League champions Isca travel today to Bristol, hoping to improve on the fifth position they hold in the table behind Bream, Gloucester City. Plymouth and Cheltenham. As Devon Cup holders Isca have a tougher assignment tomorrow in the west 200e of the mational club championship, at Glastonbury. Isca are meeting Morlands, the Somerset champious, in the semifinal round. Morlands beat Mariborough last week on penalty strender and the face a strong strender.

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The professional and amateur pertuentship of Norwood Cripps (Etoo) and Alan Lovell, recent pertuentship of Norwood Cripps (Etoo) and Alan Lovell, recent rivals in the singles event, defends the doubles title in the Unigate the doubles title in the Unigate the Goules of Chap yesterday. Their Christopher Ronaldson (Hampton Court) and Michael Dean and the professional team of David Cull (Lord's) and David Johnson (Queen's Club) who were engaged yesterday.

Cull and Johnson, similar in the style and physique, outplayed the amateurs John Clench and Peter Seabrook by 6—1, 6—3, 6—2 in a brist contest that was not so outsided as the score suggests. Early un, the losers found it difficult to get the ball past two such mobile and experienced opponionems. Their only recourse was to hat at them as hard as possible and this they did successfully are the defending up the occasional lob towards the grille. Towards the end of the second set, Cull and Johnson soon adjusted themselves to this fromal attack, indulging in pace variations and putting up the occasional lob towards the grille. Towards the end of the second set, Cull found agas in their defences and with Clench defending the galleries, Seabrook had a hard time trying to cover the rest of the court, in the last game, Cull made winning strokes into the dedans four times, and that is unassual in a doubles match.

Geoffrey Atkins, a former amateur champion, and David Jenkins won the other match, bearing Kevin King and Michael Wilson by 5—6, 6—1, 6—5, 6—1.

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Football

The great survivor who keeps City alive

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
In the words of Mr Gibert
Gray, QC, in the High Court this
week. "football management is a
very unpredictable life". In his
submission on behalf of Don
Revie, he said: "It is the apotheois of hiring and firing . . . you
are only as good as last Saturday's
result." result."
This week's court case and the

recent allegations of rife dishonesty in the profession have done little to sharpen the ambinous of young men considering their future in management. So it was all the more refreshing to hear that the Bristol City manager, Alan Dicks, had been offered a 10-year contract. Aithough only in his mid-40's, Mr Dicks already holds the record for being the League's longest serving manager with one club.

He was assistant to Jimmy Hill at Coventry before moving to Ashton Gare in 1967 when City were dirring, with relegation. It took man! 1976 to return the club to the first division for the first time in 65 years and in that time he developed the art of balancing local demands for success with good bousekeepking.

He has sympathy for any manager who constantly battles with impatient directors and supporters. He says it is "like being in a goldfish bowl". Being In charge of one of the less glamorous clubs screens him from the more distasteful, nation-wide criticisms, but he will admit to having weathered one or two nasty squalls.

His first centern has been to keep the club on an even keel, which is as it should be in that part of the world, and he apologizes but adds that many of the reasons why he, personally, survives in this precurious business have no be explained in other footballing cliches. He said: "You have got to build a relationship with the directors and everyone else, and here we are building our traditions all of the time. With other clubs the tradition is already there. I have been given time to build. There has to be an acceptance by the directors to let you manage, but you've gut to be sensible and realistic."

Now that Bristol City are in competition with clubs who claim that they can afford to buy players for Lim or more, Mr Dicks, and other managers of financially restricted clubs, have to cultivate their own players and buy shrewdly and infrequently. Only three years and to rement to supplied the cultivate their own players and only and the rements. offered him 2,00,000 to spend on Improving the playing strength to face the first division. He knew how much that meant to the club but how little it would buy. A year later the transfer fund stood at £1 million but inflation had reced ahead and though such



Dicks: a contract to bearten the young men of management.

established men as Cooper. Hunter and Royle were bought, more than half the present staff cost little and Royse were bought, more than half the present staff cost little more than patience.

As an enthusiastic advocate of unity among managers, Mr Dicks dislikes hearing accusations of cheating and dishonesty. Perhaps the only occasion when he felt that his own players were asking for more than the club could afford was when they won promation. They wanted higher vages on top of bonuses but he dealt with the situation without rancour. He said: "We don't all cheat. Sometimes you've got to be hard and even sometimes callout. You deal with different players in different ways. It's a form of motivation."

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It took him two years to break the barrier into belief that Bristol City had a right to hold first division status and still the team lapse into the occasional performance of self doubt, as at Nottingham Forest not long ago. There is also the permanent problem of reaching the break even attendance figure of 24,000, but it would be a triumph for patience and realistic leadership if top class football at Ashton Gate became as much a permanency as the manager.

If more directors seriously considered the odds against their manager providing success at the highest level possibly they would show better understanding. Of the current first division managers only two, Bob Paisley and Brian Clough, have won the champion-

ship. Only three, Terry Neil, Bobby Rehson and Lawrie Me-Menency, have won the FA Cup, and apart from Mr Clough, the only other winner of the League Cup is Ron Saunders.

Not that Mr Dicks much enjoys being thought of as a canny Cup is Ron Saunders.

Not that Mr Dicks much enjoys being thought of as a cauny manager who keeps a modest club sately out of the relegation area. Comemplating today's match against the bottom club. Bolton Wanderers, he said there was no such thing as safety. His view of City's position is that they are "three points behind Arsenal and just two better than Ipswich yet Arsenal are in fourth place while Ipswich are third from bottom."

Arsenal can pull away from Nortingham Forest roday by beating them at the City Ground. Before Brighton broke the spell on Forest's remarkable home record a fortnight ago the chances for visiting clubs were remote. Arsenal will try to combat the ground attacking strength of Birties and Francis by dropping Young and including the more nimble Walford. Devine deservedly retains a full back position despite the confirmed finess of the club captain. Rice.

Another central defender languishing in reserve football is

Another central defender languishing in reserve football is McQueen, of Manchester United. He has recovered from injury but his place at Tottenham today is retained by Moran. With Middlesbrough's stout defence capable of containing Liverpool at Anfieid, Manchester United could increase their lead at the top of the table.

Hibernian look to collect first of Best dividends

Hibernian's expensive gamble round match with Morton at on the pulling power of George Hampden Park—with the exceptest should nav its first divi-

Best should pay its first dividend today with more than 20,000 expected for his first the second leg victory at Parklome appearance at Easter Road.

Best scored in his first game for the club at St Mirren last week and showed that while his speed may have decreased his skill is still there.

Hibernian's average gate this season, despite 18,000 crowds for home games with Celtic and Rangers, has been only 9,000 and it is hoped that those who come to see Best out of idle interest may keep coming—especially as he is rumoured to be earning a Sullivan and McDuals to their party. Rangers, home to Kilmar-

party. Rangers, home to Kilmar-nock, bring back Forsyth and Russell. Forsyth has not played for the first team since March.



Best: first home game for Hibernian.

Visit to Palace will crown Croydon's biggest day

been limited to \$,000.

David Milsted, a Croydon official said: "Although the crowd limit was \$,000 the ne would have attracted a far larger attendance attracted a far larger attendance with many non-ticket holders among them. The risk of damage to property and interference of play were all considered along with the general regard for public safety, before this joint decision was reached.

We expect a crown of between 15,000 and 20,000 at Selliurst Park but monetary gain was a secondary consideration. We wanted to keep faith with our players and supporters by staging the game at Croydon. This will be the greatest day in the club's 26-year-old history.

For Millwall this is the second time their cup opponents have conceded ground advantage. Salisbury moved their first round the with them to Southampton's ground. Graham Hortop, the Millwall administration manager, said:

"We think Croydon have made

Croydon have agreed to move their home F A Cup second round the with Millwall to Selhurst Park on December 15. They have finally conceded ground advantage after advice from the local police of the difficulties that would be involved controlling unruly elements in the crowd which had been limited to 8,000.

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All seats for the fire at Selhurst Park will be £3 with usual prices for ground and enclosure. Old age pensioners and juveriles will be admitted to the ground for 90p.

Croydon have already printed tickets for the tie. These will be on sale at today's home Istumian league much against Wycombe Wanderers and Monday's game with Barking and will be valid for Selhurst Park.

Brian Chough, the Nottingham Forest manager, was to have travelled to Lincoln today to watch the home game with Hartleppol. Colin Murphy the Lincoln manager, has told him nor to bother. Glenn Cockerill, the player in whom hir Chough was interested, has been sold: Swinden Town will today pay a record fee for both clubs of £111.000 for this £1-year-old midfield player.

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Leicestershire County Cricket Cl Club are increasing membership fees by 43 per cent for next sea-son. They go up from just under fil2 to f17, including VAT. A club spokesman said they were having to raise prices because of inflation and they would still not bring Leicestershire into line with those charged by other county clubs.

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Mansfield v Blackpool
Millwall v Colchester
Oxford Utd v Grimsby
Reading v Blackburn
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ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Gravelend v Bollom Und: Kellering v Bangor City: Malderone v AP Commen ion: Nurelton A Allymonam: Suffard Brows v Weymouth; Wealdstone v Scar-borough; Yoovi v Wertester. SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland divi-sion: Bodord v Cheltenram; Broms-grore v Bunbury; Carry v Taunton, Rang's Lynn v Millon Keepas; Stour-bridge v Barry; Witney T v Wiching-forbuph, Boulliern; Ashlord v Andover; Duraltable v Spilsbury; Faroham v Chelmstord; Pople v Capterbury, Ton-bridge v Crawley. NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE.

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Fourth division

Bournemouth v Peterborough
Bradford City v Walsall
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Huddersfield v Hereford
Newport v Darlington
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York City v Port Vale

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PAST LEAGUE: Premier division:
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Scottish League Cup Semi-final round

Scottish premier division Club matches Hibernian v Partick Thistle Rangers v Kilmarnock St Mirren v Celtic

Scottish first division Ayr v Raith Rovers Athroath v Berwick Clyde v Hearts Dumbarton v Motherwell Danfermline v Airdrie

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Real Tennis
British Open doubles cliamworship
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Rugby League First publision: Hundel v War-cineton (1.30), Iclan v itali (2.30); SI Releas v Castleford: Wal-rhold T v Lead, (3.30); Workington T v Blus-pool B (2.50), York v Salford (2.30). SECOND DIVISION: Barrow v Orwa-bury (2.50): Ballry v Featherstone R (2.50): Doneaster w Which wen (2.50): Hudderstield v Brander (2.50): Hugian v Oldam (2.50). Bechdale R v Halvax: Swinton v Keightes.

Television highlights

BBC I
Football: Preview (12.20); Match
of the Day (9.45).
Racing: Chepstow races at 1.0,
1.20, 2.0 and 2.20.
Ice shaping: Briash championships (1.10).
Gymnastics: Chinese emblytion
(1.40); Modern rhythmic
competition (3.20 and
3.50). 3.50). Swimming: Club championship (2.30, 2.30 and 4.30). Cricket: Australia v West Indies (3.10).

Cricket: Australia v West Indies (5.55).

IBA
Football: Preview (12.35).
Baseball: World Series timal,
Baltimore Orioles v Pittsburg Pirates (1.0).
Racing: Sandown Park races at
1.20, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0:
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1.45, 2.15 and 2.45.
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(4.0).
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By John Hennessy By John Hennessy
Susan Garland, a 13-year-old
Bristol skater, is included in the
British figure skating team,
announced yesterday, for the
Winter Olympic Games to be held
at Lake Placid, New York State,
from February 13 to 24. Miss
Garland won the British pairs title,
for the second time, with Robert
Daw (15), earlier in the week at
Richmond.

Young as she is, Miss Garland is not the youngest British competitor in the Games, nor indeed the youngest skater. That distinction tion, according to the publishers of the Guinness Book of Records, belongs to the renowned Cecilia Colledge, who competed in the 1932 Games (also at Lake Placid) at the age of 11.

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The selection of Miss Garland and Daw "fulfils a life-long ambition" of their trainer, Pauline Williams, Daw's stepmether. It was, she said yesterday, every professional's dream to produce an Olympic skater. Her young charges had been "over the moon" when they had learnt of their selection.

She is not expecting any firehad learnt of their selection.

She is not expecting any fireworks this season. "Where we
come is not important", she says.

"It's the experience that matters
at this stage." But she believes
that her stepson and Miss Garland are already good enough not
to be languishing at the bottom
of the results lists.

Pairs skating is virtually a lost

Pairs skating is virtually a lost art in Britain and one has to look art in Britain and one has to look back to 1953 to discover when we last won a world championship. The winners then were John and Jennifer Nicks, brother and sister. Another coincidence is that John Nicks now trains the current holders of the world title, Tai Babilonia and Randy Gardner, in the United States.

It has been clear for some time that Daw and his still younger part-



Young charges: Susan Garland and Robert Daw whose selection fulfills their trainer's life long ambition.

ner would sooner or later be ready for international competition. The fear was that the selectors would lack the courage to pitch them into the Olympic and world champion-ships (Dortmund, March 11 to 15) this winter and settle for a gentler taptism in the European champion-ships (Güteborg, January 22 to 26). They have in fact been chosen for all three events.

recovered the women's title from Deborah Cotrill, is naturally rewarded with a place in all three championships. Miss Cottrill, however, has the chance to turn the tables yet again in the Europeans because we can send two skaters. Whatever happens at Göteborg, Miss Cottrill can take comfort from Only two men skaters have bee chosen, Robin Cousins and Christopher Howarth, Britain are entitled to a third place but the selectors presumably have decided the fact that, at 17, she has time on her side. Miss Richardson is three years older.

US quick to

trophy lead

It did not take the United States long to establish a 2-0 lead over

Britain in the women's under-21 international for the Maureen Connolly Trophy in Bradford

Debbie Jevans picked up only half a dozen points in one depres-

sing run of five losing games.

She began boldly enough, winning

the first two games, but touch and confidence quickly deserted her and Wendy White (19), from

Atalanta, Georgia, swept to a commanding lead.

Two double faults in the eighth game put Miss Jevans in even deeper trouble but a set point to the American went begging when Miss White was just a little too strong with a brave lob.

Miss Jevans scrambled to safety in that game but still lost the opening set 6—3 in 28 minutes. Miss White gave the British player no scope for in-

of the second set, led 4—1. When it was almost too late Miss Jevans played with more determination but the leeway was too great to make up and she went down 5—3, 6—?

establish

yesterday.

Tennis

Miss Ruzici surprises Mrs King and herself

Melbourne, Nov 30 Billie Jean Ring and the defending champion, Dhanne Fromholtz of Australia round of the Toyota tournament at the Kooyong Stadium here today. Mrs King, the favourite to win the tournament following the withdrawal of the seed Evonne Cawley, succumbed to Virginia Ruzici of Romania 7—6, 6—0. Miss Ruzici now meets Wendy Turnbull in the semi-finals.

Mrs King had her chances in the first set when she led 3—0 but Miss Ruzici played some fine backhand returns to force the set into a tie-break. Mrs King served for the set at 6—5 in the de-break but Miss Ruzici fought back to win the next three straight points and take the set. The second set saw Miss Ruzici play some remarkable tennis and nobody, including herself, expected the match to end so quickly.

Miss Fromholtz, who won the swedish girl Mimmi Wikstedt 7—5, 6—0 and regardless of the result tomorrow the Black American will pick up her biggest pay packet in her tennis gare the match that she was "well and truly wopped" and could not remember the last time she lost so badly.

Miss Turnbull remains the last of the top five seeds in the tournament, but she had to fight out a tough three-set match against the semi-finals. Miss Barker failed to hold service throughout the final set and lost her grip on the match. Miss Turnbull won 6—4. 2—6, 6—3.

Women's singles: quarter-final round: V. Ruzici (Romania) beat L. W. King (US) 7—6, 6—0. H. Mandikova (Czechoslovakla) beat D. Fromholtz (Australia) 6—1, 6—3, R. Blounr (US) bear M. Wilstedt (Sweden) 7—5, 6—0. W.

demolished, Miss Fromholtz 6—1, 6—3 and emerged as a possible winner of the event.

The 17-year-old Czechoslovak, who seemed more interested in going to an Elton John concert tonight than talking about her magnificent performance, plays an American, Renee Blount, in the other semi-final. Miss Blount earned her place by defeating a

China admitted

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won the large of the second set saw Miss Ruzici play some remarkable tennis and nobody, including herself, expected the match to end so quickly.

Miss Fromholtz, who won the tournament last year defeating a fellow Australian, Kerry Reid, was beaten by Hana Mandlikova, of Czechoslovakia, in just 50 minutes. The unseeded Miss Mandlikova demolished, Miss Fromboltz Mustralia beat S. Barker (GB) 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.—Agence france-Presse.

McEnroe leads

New York, Nov 28.—John McEnroe, with 585,238 dollars, and Martina Navratilova, with 524,248 dollars, lead the world men's and women's tennis earnings for 1980, the United States Tennis Association reported today. Miss Navra-tilova's total is a one-year record for women.

Graham leads **Americans** by two strokes

Berne, Nov 30.—China has been admitted to the International Skiing Federation, it was Berne, Nov 30.—China has been admitted to the International Skling Federation, it was announced here today. A federation executive committee member, Glan-Franco Kasper, said the decision to admit China was taken at a meeting in Morocco last Sunday, but the announcement of the decision was delayed to avoid a clash with the issue of China's re-entry to the International Olympic Committee.

"China has never been a member", Mr Kasper said, "and the membership is only provisional at the moment until it has been ratified by the federation's mext annual congress in 1981. In the meantime Chinese skilers will be able to take their place in this year's World Cup and all international events, including the Olympic Games."

Mr Kasper explained the present position of Talwan, who have been affiliated to the federation for the past 10 years. He said the Federation would follow the same policy as the IOC over anthems, national titles and flags. China are now members of 15 of the 26 international federations who are responsible for Olympic events.—Agence France-Presse. Wellington, Nov 30.—David Graham, of Australia, took the lead in the New Zealand open championship at Heretaunga today with a second round of 67, four under par. With a 36 holes total of 137, he leads by two strokes from two Americans, Tom Kite, the overnight leader, and John Godwin, and Australia's Rodger Davis. Kite took 72, one overpar, today. Godwin had a 67 and Davis was round in 70.

Graham, holder of the United

Golf

Graham, holder of the United States PGA title, was out in 32, the best score of the day for the first nine; on the way back he parred every hole except the 18th, where he had a birdie after topping his second shot. Godwin, an early starter, missed most of the wind which troubled many of the golfers. He had seven birdies, but dropped shots at three holes.

Bloodstock sales

Grundy filly goes for 62,000 gns

A chestmit filly foal by the 1975 Derby winner Grundy proved a high spot on the second day a high spot on the second day of the Newmarket December Sales yesterday. Trade in fcals was healthy and Grundy's daughter sent up by Wheatlands Mancr Stud in Berkshire, was sold for 62,000 guineas to an agent, Owen Helman, who outlasted Grundy's breeder Tim Holland-Martin.

The filly, who is bound for the Haras de Mezeray, in Calvados, France, is a half sister to the useful winners, Albert Hall and Blackadder, both by High Top. The second dam is a half sister to 1959 St Leger heroine, Cantelo. Airlie Stud submitted eight colts and these brought in 170,700 guineas—an average of 21,337 guineas apiece. Best of the batch was a chestnut Habitat colt from a good American family who made 58,000 guineas to the bid of

made Skillow guiness to the bid of Lan Southcott, who recently estab-lished Ladygrove Stud in Hert-fordshire. Habitat is the sire of this year's European champion springer, Double Form. The underbidder was Marcus Wickham-Boynton, of Burton Agnes Stud, but he had consolation when paying 32,000 guineas for one of Airlie's two feals from the first crop of the leading miler, Artains.

The former England footballer Francis Lee, who is building up his own stud at Wilmslow. Cheshire, bought an English Prince colt for 12,000 guiness and a Pitcairn filly for 10,000 guiness.

For the record

Yachting

American football

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Miami Dolphins 39, New England Patriots 24.

BANGKOK: International Optimist Dinals Association Cup: Fourth place: 1, US. 13's pts: 2, Argentina, 57; 3, Norway, 52: 8, GB, 127; Overall Type positions: 1, Sweden, 173: 3, Denmark, 1913; 3, Argentina, 2004; 10, GB, 581.

Squash rackets

Bobsleigh

WINTERBERC: Eritish championships, after two runs: 1, J. Woodall
and J. Howell, 1 min 57.48 sec: 2,
D. Jones and A. Oelluin1:57.98: 3, R. Potter and M. Pugh,
4:58.53.

BOXING

EERW VALE: Johnny Owen best
Dayer Vacquez (U.S., pus.
Liverpool: Tony Sibson best
Robert Powell (U.S.). first round.

Basketball

Ice hockey NATIONAL LEAGUE! Philadelphia Figure 6. Minnesola Nerth Siars 4: Buffalo Sabres 2. New York Rangers 1: Montreal Canadiens 3. St Louis

Golf RIO DE JANKIRO: Brazilian Open chammonshio, Italy routed: 66: J. Morgan (GB), 56: T. Aaron (US), J. Sommout (Sweden), 67: Aaron (US), 15: US), M. Gresson (GB), D. Baller (US), 68: S. Torronce (GB), E. Martins (Colombia), E. Nari Argen-tina), M. Ford (US), R. Navaro-(Brazil), 69: A. Jacklin (GB), M. Miller (GB), P. Torrosend (GB), R. Fish (GB), E. Murray (GB) RIO DE JANEIRO: Brazilian Open championship, first round: 65: J. Tennis

Snooker

Virgo sweeps to lead over World champion

John Virgo swept into a 7-2 lead against the World champion, tead against the World champion, Terry Griffiths, in the final of the United Kingdom professional snooker championship, sponsored by Coral, at Preston yesterday. Virgo, from Manchester, cap-tured the opening five frames, the last with a break of 67. Even when Criffith threatened a revival har Griffiths threatened a revival by

Griffiths threatened a revival by taking the following frame on the pink, Virgo squashed the subdued. Weishman's challenge with a break of 69 to stretch his lead to 6-1:

After going ahead by 7-1 when Griffiths smashed the black ball off the table. Virgo lost the final frame of the afternoon session. The final is over 27 frames.

FRAME SCORES (Virgo (Cal)): FRAME SCORES (Virgo (Irsi) 70—60 67—7, 81—24, 100—2 100—2 63—61, 75—24, 95—2 22—90.

Secret Ballot is chosen to give weight and a beating to rivals

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

The Mecca Bookmakers Handicap Hurdle is the principal race at Sandown Park today. Secret Ballot has been favourite to win this valuable prize ever since the ante post market was formed and Bob Turnell, his trainer, gave me the impression at Wincanton on Thursday that he is convinced that he will be hard to beat as the ground is still good. That is a prerequisite for Secret Ballot and he is my selection as he was when he won at Ascot a fortnight ago. Last season his bad races were all on soft ground whereas his

laudable efforts were on ground that did not blant his speed. Anyone who was at Ascot could not but be impressed with the way that Secret Ballot won the Buchagan Whisky Hurdie, He was pulling over his rivals turning into the straight and won more easily than the bare result might sug-gest, although his experienced trainer was sure that he would benefit considerably from the race.

Turnell is adamane that Secret Ballot has improved in the meantime but he is at pains to point out that Silver Shadow must be a danger even on this ground. On the two occasions that Beacon Light and Silver Shadow met last that Andrew Bestwick, who finished third to the other two at Richmond, is not yet up to it. Karena Richardson, having season Silver Shadow did the better each time. In the circumstances, Secret Ballot will need to

2.30 MECCA CHAMPIONSHIPS (3-y-o Hurdle: £3,915: 2m)

3.0 TINGLE CREEK CHASE (Handicap: £2,840: 2m)

3.30 DECEMBER HURDLE (Hurdle: £1,488: 2m 5f)

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Sandown selections

Sedgefield programme

12.45 GREY HORSE HURDLE (Selling handicap: 5580: 2m)

12-10 URBY MUKBL MUKBLE (Selling handicsp: 5580; 2m)

3 4300-00 Le Baudrier, 3, Hartinan, 7-11-2. Mr D. Robinson

3 40 Tombola, R. Fisher, 5-11-1. Mr D. Robinson

7 00 Rowdy Eff. Robinson, 10-11-1. J. Hartington

9 0-21410 Lewer Lengdale (CD), W. Wright, 5-11-0. D. Lancaster

10 1000-4 Twa Mila House (D), F. Yardieg, 8-10-12 W. Mortis

12 0201-04 London Baho (D), D. Brennun, 7-10-11 R. Barry

13 20-200 H-Quay, Depay Smith, 4-10-11 C. Grant

13 3000-10 Gracoful Abr. D. Garraton, 4-10-9 Mr. Pepper

10 20-2000 Warmspan Joy, J. Parkes, 5-10-2 A. Harrison

2-1 Lower Langdale, 7-2 London Belle, 4-1 H-Quay, 6-1 Warmspana Joy,

8-1 Triole, 10-1 Two Mile House, 20-1 others.

L15 HARDWICK ARMS STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £898:

.45 BLACK LION STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £935: 2m)

1 19-1427 Land Greystoke (D.), G. Richtards 8-12-2 19-1421 County (D.) Britan Statin, 9-10-7 20-14-2 County (D.) Britan Statin, 9-10-7 1 340-33 Goldon Express (C.Oal J. Dodds, 10-10-7 1-2 Land Greystoke, 4-1 Deldi, 11-2 Kings Count, 14-1 Gr

2.45 DUN COW HURDLE (Handicap: £949: 21m)

1.15 HARPINGTON HURDLE (Novices: £867: 2m)

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Hipps (D), J Fitzpersid, +11-10
Andther Grand, J Sunter, 5-11-5
GO On Joe, J. Richardson, 5-11-5
Harry Transper, J. Mariani, 5-11-5
Heather Kins, T Vermon, 5-11-5
Hodian Cords, Stophenson, 5-11-5
Highly Remore, Mar A. Roberts, 5-11-5
Arctic Mystery, F Yardiev, 4-11-2
Box of Tricks, S. Narton, 4-11-2
Box of Tricks, S. Narton, 4-11-2
Hy Star Hatsar, Miss B. Oliver, 4-11-2
My Star Hatsar, Miss B. Oliver, 4-11-2
Nabas, Denty, South, 4-11-2
Sable Pinces, L. Tony, 4-11-3
Yeddiay, E. Johnson, 4-11-2
Yeddiay, Y. Johnson, 4-11-2
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By Michael Seely 12.45 Rowdy Elf. 1.15 Doctor Win. 1.45 LORD GREYSTOKE is specially recommended. 2.15 Skepby. 2.45 Styped. 3.15 Rox of Tricks.

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Sedgefield selections

COW HURDLE (Handicap: £949: 22m)

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Signed (D), W. Discy, 6:10-9

Alcoek Dysill, W. Discy, 6:10-9

Viking Spirit, W. Evans, 110-1

Golden Spirit, W. Evans, 110-1

Golden Spirit, W. Evans, 110-1

Golden Spirit, W. Evans, 110-1

Sweet Desyn, R. Johnson, 1-10-2

Sweet Desyn, R. Johnson, 7:10-0

Direct Line, W. A. Stephenson, 5:10-0

Teessac, A. Stephenson, 4:10-0

VAUX BREWERIES STEEPLECHASE

Secret Ballot has to give Silver Sharkow 12 lb and that will not be an easy task. It is possible to argue that Regalus should also argue that Regalus should also cause the backers of Secret Balliot concern. Regalus ran my selection to threequarters of a length at Ascot and is now 4th better off. However that was Secret Ballot's first race of the season and it was the fourth time that Regalus had run. I remain convinced that the favourite has the greater scope.

The huge gulf that divides top class form on the First and that under National Hunt rules has nover been better likustrated than never been bester illustrated than it was at Sandown yesterday when Rhyme Royal failed to beat Norfolk Arrow in the second division of the Regents Novices Hardle. Aithough Rhyme Royal was rated 48 lb bester on the flat in Timeform, Norfolk Arrow looked much the more accomplished yesterday. Norfolk Arrow was foot perfect yesterday but Rhyme Royal still had a thing or two to learn about the art of jumpling at rating pace.

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Norfock Arrow is trained by Josh Gifford, who also won the first division with Shane Hill. Both horses were ridden by Richard Rowe whose confidence has increased this season immeasurably thanks to the support of Gifford. Having seen Shane Hill win for them Nick and Valda Embericos were hoping to see Aldantii crown their day by winning the Ewell Handicap Speeplechase. However it was not to be. Aldantii broke down when he was in the lead

have improved as much as Turnell jumping the pool feace. Tals believes he has if he is to win handed the race to Prince Rock. who will now my to add the Welsh who will now my to add the Welsh Grand National to his already impressive his of achievements at

Chepstow.

Prince Rock was ridden yesterday by John Francome who must have felt that Lady Lunk was smaling upon him again at long last. He also won the Dong Barratt Hurdle on Prayukin on whom he rode a fine rice. Safly Fred Winter was not well emough to come to see Prayukin hecome the chousandth winner he has trained. This was a commendable performance on the part of Prayukin, who has clearly emproyed since being gented.

Whenever a horse appears to be

Whenever a horse appears to be a blot on the handicap something inevitably comes to the rescue of the handicapper and yesterday it was Bachelou's Hall himself. He was naturated and in the Palace jumped deplorably in the Palace Steeplechase and would surely have fallen if the fences had been as stiff as they were in days gone

Finally, plans for Drusus, who galloped Shu Shullaris into the ground in the State Express Young Chasers qualifier, will be governed by the weather. Apparently he must have good ground to be seen at his best.

Big Ben offers more appeal for Carmody / I

By Michael Seely Tommy Carmody, the latest in a long-line of brillians young Irish sceplechase siders to have made their same in England, bas decided to ride at Merker Rasen rather to ride at Marker Rasen rather than at Chepstow this afternoon.

Fresh from his triumpils on Silver Buck and Waynard Lad in Haydock Park's main races on Wednesday and Fhursday, Carmody has chosen to ride Big Ben in the Chare Steepischase on the Lintonishive track, in preference to travelling to the Monmonthabre course to ride Badsworth Boy in the Ladbroke Bettha Hurdle qualifier.

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Both the Dickinsons howest have good chances in their respective races and Carmody's decision has been influenced by the offer of rides on two of linny. Fitzgeraid's good novices at Market Rasen. These are Prelico, in the Panama Cipar qualifier and Brave Fellow who rans in the Lincolnshire Poacher Pattern Hurdle.

Brave Fellow appears to have the best chance of the pair. An easy winner at Newcastle in October, he had a similar race at his intercy on the same track recently when failing at the second hurdle from home.

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rom kome. His principal rival is Haighall, His principal fival is Haighau, who won three races on the flat last season for Peter Easterby and showed a remarkable turn of foot when sprinting home seven lengths clear of Steel City at Nottinghem.

Everything will depend on how the race is run. Brave Pellow meets 21 miles to show his true potential. Over this efternoon's shorter distance, Carmody will

have to use forcing factics in sure a true gallop throughout these tactics are employed B Fellow's stamma may autoes bluoting Halghall's finishing of At Chepstow Robert Earns will take Carmody's piace on B worth Boy. The four year-old third to Pollardstown in Triumph Hurdle at Chebralism March and recordly the his well-being with an exercanter over Bachelor's Hall Laicester.

The form horse is unfound Sheer Silk, who shaped like a tain future winner when fourt Celtic Ryde at Newbary. Sheer has not won a race for two and the state of the state of

Geltic Ryde at Newbury. Sheet has not won a race for two hor was looking dangerous or coming to grief at the second hurdle lu the Schweppes. Trophy. In the hope that Ric Linley can pershade Toby lug's five year-old to pur his foot forward. Sheet Silk: corry too many guns for the worth Boy at these weights to many guns for the worth Boy at these weights to Lord Greystoke must now missed in the Black Lion Bar at Sedgefield. Provided he p this test with flying colours, eight-year-old could well do for Corrion Richards in the M. Ferguson Gold Cup, leaving a Alive to comest a three-mile. sored handicap the same

sored handicap the same? noon.

Night Nurse, the charchurdler in 1976 and 1977, ha veloped tendon trouble and not run again this season. Ining a high chars field in Buchanan Whisky Gold Ca Ascot recently, Night Murse a the record of prize money viously won by any National, performer.

Market Rasen programme Sandown Park results Sandown Park programme [Television (IBA): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 raccs]

1.0 (1.4) REGENTS HURDLE IDE NOVICES: 2886: 2m l SHANE MILL, ch s, by Metadak-Pretty Show (Mrs S. Embiricos), 6-11-6 . R. Royee (2-1 fav) Washington Heights W. Smith (1-2) [Television (IBA): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races] Washington Height W. Smith (1-3) 2
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ALSO RAN: 5-1 Lechle, 10-1 Inca
Warrior, Parry Miss, 11-1 San Antonio,
12-1 Fanous Footheres, huprobable,
14-1 Bright Fury, 25-1 Fantoni (4th),
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TOTE: Win. 2701 places, 17p. 28p.
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Collingt At Findon, 81, ab Rd. 1.0 POND CHASE (Handicap : £2,448 : 3m 118yd) JAMES AND STATE EXPRESS YOUNG CHARGERS (Nowices qualifier: £1,546: 2m) by Leventer—PRISUS, by Leventer—Apppins (E. Brown, £12-0 av) 1

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16p. T. F. Rimell, at Severe Stoke.

20i. 1.30 HENRY VIII CHASE (Novices: £2,134 : 2m) 2.0 MECCA HURDLE (Handicap : £9,293 : 2m) HURDLE (Handicsp: E9,293: 27a)

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Silver Shadow (0). M. H. Essierter, 5:10-8

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McAldam (N. Miller, 4:10-2

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Genovese, D. R. Harrop, 5:10-0

Genovese, D. Grissell. 7:10-0

Tallem Bend (D). G. Beiding. 4:10-0

Silversmith (D), I. Wardle. 5:10-0

Vaguely James, E. Breson. 5:10-0

R. Salton. 4:1 Silver Shadow. 5:1 Regalus, 15:2 Golden. A. Turnall
J. J. O'Nell
K. Menney 4
Mr N. Mitchell 4
C. Turker
A. Webber
G. Thorner
Br D. Grissell 4
P. Scudanore 2
S. Smith-Eccles
B. Goldstein
R. Goldstein

3.0 (3.5) DOUG BARROTT HURDLE RANGEDS & LOOT : LIND PRAYUKTA, br g by Princer Regent—Pitaga (Mrs I Magaulay) 4-11-8 J. Francome (14-1) 7 Pride of Tenansees, R. Rower 13-3: 2 Kinthery & Shikston (7-1) 2 Kinthery & Lambours & La

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13.15 (12.17) PICKWELL HURDLE

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16-1 Tresure House, 20-1 Leicester By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 Joe Kelly. 1.30 Western Rose. 2.0 Secret Ballot. 2.30 Azerila. 3.0 Siberian Sun. 3.30 Ross du Viz.

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12:45 (13:45) SYSTON HURDLE
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1.15 (1.17) GREAT GLEM CHASE

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145. (147) DICK CHRISTIAN CHASE (Handless): FLOTT: Sm)
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12.45 GEORGE HURDLE (Selling handicap: £515: 2m) 1.15 CHASE CHASE (£1,051 : 2m) 1.45 PANAMA CIGAR HURDLE QUALIFIER (4y-0 : £1,825 -2.15 MUCH OBLIGED CHASE (Handicap: £2,208: 3m) 2 0227-32 Even Daws (C), C. M. H. Esstarby, S-11-12.

3 122-127 Assas Prince (C), M. H. Esstarby, S-11-12.

6 06-022 Red Earl (CO), J. Berry, 10-11-2.

8 p03040 Even Town (CD), S. Thornby, S-10-0.

TI-10 Annas Prince, 2-1 Even Dawn, 3-1 Red Earl, 20-1 Even 2.45 LINCOLNSHIRE POACHER PATTERN HURDLE (52.3 3:15 HUMBERSIDE CHASE (Novices: £1,017: 2m 5f) 2 131203 *Fresty Park, N. Cromp. 7-11-7

Market Rasen selections

By Michael Seely 12.45 Naval Whistier, 1.15 Big Ben. 1.45 Prelko. 2.15 ANNAS PRIN is specially recommended. 2.45 Brave Fellow, 3.15 News King.

Chepstow programme

Television (BBC 1): 1.0, 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races] LO PHILIP CORNES HURDLE (Novices : £1,881 : 2½m)

L30 EMBASSY PREMIER STEEPLECHASE (£1.870 : 24前) 1223-12 Dramatist, F. Welkeyn, R-11-10
22123-4 Sweet September (D), R. Turned: 7-11-10
111-1 MacLayer, J. White, 5-11-3
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21041-2 Marriston of Jacque, P. Pys, 7-11-3
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0-0000 2.30 PHOENICA STREPLECHASE (£1,253 : 2m)

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Treasury draws up plans for further cuts in public spending

Plans for further cuts in probably by more than 3 per public spending next year are cent.

now being drawn up by the Treesury.

Any attempt to change the financing of the Rate Support Any attempt to change the financing of the Rate Support Grant and nationalized industries would be bound to cause confusion. Therefore, if the Government did decide to cut local spending, it would probably have to announce volume changes in programmes rather Treasury.

These cuts, if implemented would come on top of those drawn up earlier this month when tight cash limits for local authority spending in 1980-81 were announced. The Treasury is also toping the Government's implublished plans for next year will contain more cuts.

Ministers have made it clear that prospects for the economy

Ministers have made it clear that prospects for the economy and for public spending look bleaker in the light of the recent moneracy crisis.

They have suggested that they would be willing to look again at their spending plans if they believed that this were necessary to control public.

necessary to control public borrowing and the money supply.

The Government is being The Government is being forced to re-examine its decisions on spending very shortly after making them. The White Paper containing next year's planned spending, in volume terms, was published only a month ago.

Two weeks later it became clear that the volume of spending was going to be squeezed by

ing was going to be squeezed by the application of right cash limits. It is now possible that further cuts will be made in addition to the original plans.

These could be achieved through the combination of a more severe cash limit on government departments, and the announced changes in pro-grammes for local authorities and nationalized industries. The Government has not yet set next year's cash limits for central government depart-ments. It will probably do this

next spring.
It may now decide to set them
at a level even lower than would be consistent with the limits announced two weeks ago for local authorities and nationalized industries. These were based on an assumption that the general level of pay would rise by 14 per cent in this round. In fact pay rises are likely to be

larger then this.

If the central government tries to achieve lower increases will have to cut programmes spending plans.

plans

changes in programmes, rather than rely on "back door" cuts through cash limits.

The Government published its spending plans for 1980-81 early this year outlining the amounts available for the Rate Support Grant and nationalized industry.

industry borrowing It may be regretting this decision as its view of the desirable level of spending for next year has

chansed.

changed.

Publication of the next public spending White Paper, which will contain plans for the years 1981-82 to 1983-84, is almost certain to be delayed. It was originally planned for the beginning of January, but some time in late February or even March is now more likely. This reflects the difficulty ministers have had in reaching a decision.

A wealth of economic detail

used to be included in the pub-

lic spending White Papers, but this is now likely to be omitted.

the Government will put off the decision about how much of its medium-term assessment to publish until after the White

publish until after the White Paper on spending.

This will either be included in the medium-term financial plan, if there is one, or will be mentioned in the budget speech.

The trend in recent years, strongly supported by the old Commons Expenditure Subcommittee (now replaced by

committee (now replaced by the Treasury Committee) was

to give more and more rather than less and less detail of the Covernment's view, of the economy which lay behind its

as the largest amalgamation of its kind so far, but its failure reflected the stockbroking

of both firms reacted so strongly against the idea of the link, and the redundancies and staff frictions which they

the process of integrating their two businesses has proved more difficult than was at first appreciated".

Nevertheless there was surprise that the talks have been

negotiations. These problems were There were some complaints about the lack of economic information in the small White Paper for 1980-81 published earlier this month and the expectation was that this would be included in the next one.

However it seems clear that the Government will put off the

US banks

Dollar under heavy cut lending pressure as gold soars By Our Economics Staff
The dollar came under heavy
pressure in the world's ourrency markets yesterday. The
price of gold soared in very
active trading, in reaction to

Citibank and many other large banks announced cuts to 15.5 per cent from 15.75 per cent in prime lending rates in New York today. These are cautious moves, given the weakness of loan demand, and active training, in reaction to
the fears about the instability
on currency markets.

The ramifications of the Iran'
United States crisis now appear
very large. Dealers believe that
the dollar will remain under politically safer. Sterling jumped by 1.65 cents to close at \$2.1995, offer topping \$2.20

in bank lending rates. Heavy falls in new housing starts and substantial declines in new car sales. The Commerce Department reported that the compo-site index of leading economic indicators fell 0.9 per cent last month, after a slight gain of 0.2 per cent in September. The Commerce Department

mounting pressure to increase mounting pressure to increase public spending, both from his political advisers, who view this as a means of winning votes and from state and local officials who are meeting dwindling revenues as the economy turns down. But so far the president continues to assert that fighting inflation is his chief domestic priority, and today he told a group of city mayors and county officials that the budget for the next fiscal year will have to be More car plants are being losed across the country some intense discussions with-in government and in the City.



For merger

By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke
Financial Editor
Proposals for merging Grieveson Grant and J & A Scrimgeour, two prominent City
stockbroking firms, have foundered—only two weeks after
talks began.
The idea had been promoted
as the largest amalgamation of

reflected the stockbroking community's gloomy outlook for the early 1980s.

Scrimgeour and Grieveson said they were seizing the chance to merge while they were in a strong position, rather than risk being forced to take hasty action later by a low level of business, spiralling costs and the uncertainties over the future of the Stock Exchange cartel. But in the end key employees

feared might follow, that the board of Scrimgeour and the partners of Grieveson decided to call off the idea. An official statement said that after detailed discussions

ger proposals were amounced, even though both parties ad-mitted at the outset that there could be difficulties during the

pected to arise over the In some important areas a taxation and accounting complications of merging one of the few corporate stockbroking research, for example, Scrim-



Mr Andrew Rutherford, senior partner of Grieveson Grant (left) and Mr Hugh Ross, chairman of J & M Scrimgeour.

firms, Scrimgeour, with a partnership, such as Grieveson.

Neither party had any doubt however that, had the merger succeeded, a new partnership would have been formed because Scrimgeour, like other Stock Exchange firms (notably the leading stockjobbers, Wedd Durlacher Mordaunt which formed itself into a company and then reverted back to a partnership) had already acknowledged that new taxation levels gave great incentive to Scrimgeour by Grieveson.

levels gave great incentive to employees of a partnership. However, the discussions never reached this stage. Mr Dick Allen, finance director of Scrimgeour, said last night: "We went into the discussions with Grieveson believing we could form a stronger, bigger and more compenitive firm, and we found that there were more problems than we realized.

institutional client.

The merger idea, which followed shortly after the successful link-up of Joseph Sebag and W. I. Carr. had been suggested to Scrimgeour by Grieveson. Scrimgeour, faced with the relative problems created by its corporate state and thinking corporate status and thinking like Grieveson, that if the idea of a merger appealed, the time to do it was now rather than later, agreed to negotiations.

These were disclosed at an

early stage to avoid unnecessary rumour in the stock market, but when the full force of the proposals became clear to the employees of both firms strong opposition emerged against going shead.

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The French franc has gained a lot of ground since the crisis in Iran. It is likely that some dollar holders would favour the franc as an alternative to the

United States currency. Yester-day it closed at Frf4.06375 to

the dollar, a rise of over 1 per cent against the dollar this

Danish krone devaluation, the Swedish and Norwegian govern-

ments yesterday took action to righten credit. Discount rates

in both countries went up by 2 points from 7 per cent to

The gold price, after going

above \$419 an ounce at one point yesterday closed at \$415.75 an ounce, up \$6.75 on

per cent.

the day,

One particular difficulty would have been merging the settlement departments of the two firms. Grieveson's is at Tunbridge Wells, a sophisticated company with a young staff. Scrimgeour's settlement systems are rather more traditional, with an older and more experienced staff. It became clear that there were fundamental differences in approach between the two.

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It was Grieveson who actually decided to call the talks off, although by that time it was already clear to both firms that the merger proposals had foundered. Nevertheless, Mr John Brew, a senior partner of Grieveson, said that his firm was still attracted by the idea of merging with someone, and dismerging with someone, and dis-cussions were possible in the

For its part Scrimgeour may now debate once again whether it should disband its corporate status and revert to a partner-

EEC leaders call for more effective energy policy

From Peter Norman Dublin, Nov 30 The nine heads of govern-ment of the EEC today urged that the community develop a more effective energy policy to cope with what their final communique described as a "very

In a summit that was over shadowed by Britain's attempt to reduce its net contribution to the EEC budget, energy was about the only other subject considered in any detail. Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, took the initiative and called for Community energy policies to be extended to oil and gas and

spending on coal. The chancellor told his fellow heads of government that the Community's energy policies were at present in a state of imbalance, in that only nuclear power and coal were covered by treaty.

In a proposal that could have a big impact on Britain, he was reported to have suggested the creation of a new crisis mechanism to ensure that North Sea oil would be shared between member states and production increased in the event of an oil supply crisis.

The West Germans would

also like to see the Community develop a common front visavis the Opec states. Herr Schmidt said that it was not sufficient for the Community to decide on national import objectives for oil as the next meeting of energy ministers is scheduled to do next Tuesday. In advocating increased Community spending on coal, Herr Schmidt pointed out that Germany was subsidizing its coal industry at a rate of DM6,000m a year and the entire Com-munity was able to benefit from

this resource. In their final communique, the nine heads of government reaffirmed that the next stage

They said the European monetary fund should be set up on schedule by March 1981, and called on the commission to submit a report to the next Council meeting setting out the progress made

BNOC chief Mr Utiger takes on dual role

By Nicholas Hirst
Mr Ronald Utiger has taken
over as chief executive of the
state-owned British National
Oil Corporation, in succession

Oil Corporation, in succession to Lord Kearton.

Lord Kearton, who resigned a month ago, was replaced immediately by Mr Utiger as temporary chairman for a period expected to be six to eight months. At the time Mr Utiger said he would take a month to decide who should be appointed Chief Executive.

His decision effectively to His decision effectively to appoint himself means that the

appoint himself means that the long-term leadership of the BNOC has not been decided and must wait until the restructuring ordered by the Secretary of State for Energy, Mr David Howell, has been completed.

It was expected that the post of chairman and chief executive would be separated once Lord Kearton had left. It looked most unlikely that Mr Utier who retains the chair-Utiger, who retains the chair-manship of British Aluminium Company, where he has execu-tive responsibilities, would wish to take on BNOC, particularly as his appointment was only

temporary.

Lord Kearton had pushed strongly for Mr Alastair Morton, a former member of the Industrial Reorganization Corporation, a creation of the



Mr Ronald Utiger: temporary chairman and now executive at BNOC.

1964 Wilson Government, and a managing director of BNOC to take over as chief executive. Mr Morton was responsible for both the raising of \$825m from American banks in 1977, which caused a storm in the House of Commons public accounts committee because it fell outside parliamentary control and for the more recent idea to raise £500m for the public sector borrowing require-ment through a short-term for-

ward oil sale.
It had been thought that he would leave with Lord Kearton if he failed to get the chief executive's job. The Department of Energy, however, was known to prefer that someone else should get the job.

The temporary appointment of Mr Utiger is explained on the grounds that during a transitional period it is sensible to have a transitional chairman. The Secretary of State, who effectively controls the appointment, has told Parliament he is going to create a North Sea company of exploration and production activities from the

production activities from the present BNOC, in which the public may invest.

Fierce arguments continue as to how this might be done. Lord Kearton had always fought strongly for BNOC to remain as one company, even if invest-ment were to be allowed in a North Sea subsidiary. Within the Government, however, there have been suggestions that the bave been suggestions that the oil trading and exploration activities should be split. The eventual choice of chief executive will depend on whether there is one company on the standard what form these or two, and what form these companies take. In the meantime, Mr Morton,

who was one of a triumvirate of managing directors, has been appointed chairman of BNOC Trading, and Mr Ian Clarke, the former chief executive of the Shetlands Council, is to be chairman of BNOC

Way opens for new barrels average in r. The BP Forties field monetary control its highest daily proto date during the state average was cut weather. The figures suber will be affected

By David Blake
Internal studies by officials
at the Treasury and the Bank of
England are believed to have
come to the conclusion that if
the authorities are to switch
from compolling money supply from controlling money supply to control of the monetary base, the only workable scheme is one broadly along the lines pro-posed by Professor Brian Grif-fiths of the City University. The authorities are known to have looked at a number of options, including proposals by Mr Gordon Pepper, and at the system adopted by the Swiss National Bank.

National Bank.
It is likely that the main outlines of the Griffiths scheme will be identified as the most fruitful path for investigation when the Government discussion document on monetary control is published.
The main features of the

The main features of the scheme are that eligible reserve assets should be redefined so they only include notes and coin in the bank, plus deposits at the Bank of England. The existing reserve asset ratio rule could be abolished and the Bank of England would set out to control the monetary base.

A switch from the present system of controlling the money supply to focusing on the mone-tary base has been advocated by many monetarist economists.
The money base is a much narrower definition of the supply than the indicators which the authorities presently try to manipulate. In practice, it forms

the foundation of credit creation throughout the financial system. There has been growing interest among Treasury Ministers in the idea of going back to basics in controlling the money supply.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor, said that a switch to a mone-

tary base system might have advantages when announcing the recent increase in Minimum Lending Rate. Mr Nigel Lawson, rinancial Secretary to the Treasury, has spoken fairly warmly of the possibilities of a change. However, no decision on whether to go shead with a switch in the system of control is likely until responses have been obtained in the City. been obtained in the City. It is recognized that a switch in the system of monetary control will have profound institutional consequences. Clearing banks would have to keep more cash on hand on which they would not earn interest. There would also be changes in the role of such institutions as the role of such institutions as the discount houses, and the Bank of England might have to pay interest on deposits stored. It is also accepted that changes in interest rates might be more frequent and that the Government might have to accept that it could not control that it could not control that it could not control that it is not accept that it could not control that it is not accept that it could not control that it is not accept that it could not control that it is not accept that it could not control that it is not accept that it the price of its tap stock. All of these changes make it certain that before any decision to switch to a monetary base system is taken, there will be

rate to From Frank Vogl Washington, Nov 30

15.5 per cent

reflect expectations - after some money supply gains in the last week—that the Federal Reserve will not ease credit conditions for the time being.
Chase Manhattan Bank remains
the only major national bank to
have posted a 15.25 per cent prime lending rate. Economic statistics released

today strengthen the impression that the United States is moving into a recession. There are no signs of any easing in fiscal and monetary policies and President Carter warned today that his budget in January will be

stringent".

Evidence of a recession is multiplying, with sharp declines in business loans at banks, cuts

noted that the new composite index showed a rise in redundancies in manufacturing and declines in business orders and sales. A particularly large fall in new building permits was the most important factor in the 0.9 per cent cut in the index, which took it to 138.8 (1967 = 100). President Carter is facing

No agreement to resign, Spillers chairman says contract has four years to run. But the indications are that Dalgery could be losing its patience. Mr Donne emphasized

By Michael Prest Mr Michael Vernon, chair-

in the afternoon.

man of Spillers, denied yester-day that he had agreed to resign in the face of the successful bid from Dalgety. But he admitted he had received an invitation from Mr David Donne, chairman of Dalgety, to state the terms on which he was prepared to leave. Dalgety, an international food and agricultural products

holders decide to switch to

other currencies thought to be

The dollar went near its his-

toric lows against the Deutsche

mark yesterday, closing finally at 1.7300, down from DM1.7405

on Thursday. Against the Swiss franc the dollar dropped to

group, now has 77 per cent of Spillers, whose business is broadly similar. The takeover has been notable for the tenacious defence by the Spillers board and its refusal t any stage to recommend at any substance Dalgety's terms.

However, last night Mr However, last night Mr Donne said the rearguard action

was just wasting time. He con-firmed that negotiations with Mr Vernon were in progress and added: "The point is that Mr Vernon no longer sees a future for Mr Vernon as chairman of Spillers".

One of the main items under negotiation is believed to be negonation is believed to be Mr Vernon's rights under his service agreement. Mr Donne agreed that this was part of the ngotiations. It is pointed out in the City that if Mr Vernon were to resign he might forfeit some of these rights. forfeit some of these rights. on terms soon the His salary is £47,000 and his Spillers board could go.

ence. Mr Donne emphasized last night that Dalgety is now in a position to determine who sits on the Spillers board. The successful bidder does not have to wait until it controls 90 per cent of the company, at which point it can purchase outstanding shares compulsorily.

Nevertheless the Spillers directors still refuse to recommend Dalgety's terms. Two days ago they suggested to shareholders that there was no advantage in staying in a minority. The alternatives were to seem the offer to accept the offer The essence of Spillers' defence has been that Dalgety's paper offer of one of its shares every six of Spillers is not the shareholders' interest.

in the shareholders' interest.
When the offer was launched
on August 17 Dalgety and
Spillers stood at 300p and 491p
respectively, compared with
252p and 43p last night, Three Dalgety board mem-bers are to join Spillers' direc-tors, while one Spillers director tors, while one Spillers director will sit on the Dalgety board. But the feeling is that unless Mr Vernon and Mr Donne agree

reaffirmed that the next stage in building up the European Monetary System should go ahead as planned. They said the European monetary fund should be set up on schedule by March 1981, and called on the commission to submit a report to the next Council meeting secting out the

BSC considers alternative of partial closures

volve one in five

considered and it seems likely that the board will attempt to carry through its rationalization programme without shutting lown all activities at particular

Liverpool port charges are to rise by 171 per cent from January 1. The figure, which will be confirmed by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Co on Monday is one of the big-gest for years and has come as a complete surprise to port users. The port lost £2.2m in the first six months of the

Continued from page 1 like Lianwern in south Wales will also have to fall on white or Ravenscraig in Scotland, collar workers, who expect that the planned reductions could inon stream if market conditions A number of options are being improved.

Onsidered and it seems likely BSC is expected to seek a

balance between the modern plants which, while it may involve the phasing out of steel production, may enable it to lants. continue processing steel pro-To close a modern steelworks, duced at another plant.

More Norwegian oil

Port charges rise

The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate said Saga Petroleum A/S has tested 240 cubic metres of oil, equivalent to 1,500 barrels per day, through a 4 inch choke on the first well of block 34/4 in the Norwegian sector of the North Sea.

PRICE CHANGES

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1,000 jobs to go at Liverpool toy factory after more than 70 years

Meccano dismantles in the North West

most famous toy factories closed down last night, making nearly 1,000 people redundant. Airfix Industries, which owns Meccano and Dinky Toys, decided yester-day that the Binns Road plant in Liverpool was no longer riable, and production has ceased. But the group says the two lines will be available in the shops over Christmas. Airfix chairman Mr Ralph Ehrmann announced the closure as he reported the group's in-terim figures. He said the board had "reluctantly" reached its decision to shut down produc-tion of Meccano and Dinky in Liverpool after the division had turned in losses for the six months to September 30, 1979 Meccano has been in con- Dinky.

Road factory since the time Airfix was under the transferred to other actiones children's building kit was first impression it was buying a within the Airfix group, which launched in 1906. Sales built profitable concern, for which it also makes Triang toys and up over the following 26 years paid around £2.2m. But Airfix Airfix self-assembly kits. up over the following 26 years to a point when Meccano Ltd felt confident enough to launch another incovative toy on to the market-Dinky Toys.
Launched in 1932, Dinky

Toys has also been in con-tinous production from the Binns Road factory. It survived under the Meccano Ltd banner until the company was taken over by Lines Brothers, which became the largest toy manufacturer in Britain. But just before Christmas 1971, Lines Brothers fell into difficulties, and the group was broken up, with Airfix Indus-tries buying Meccano and

has found the two most famous names in Britain's toy industry to be a less successful enter-prise than had been hoped. Although profits were steady.

if unspectacular, during the first few years of Airlia's ownership, the last three have been difficult with losses totalling more than £4m. But for devotees of the Bous' Own generation, there is one saving grace. The names Meccano and Dinky Toys will not disappear from toy shops altogether. There are sufficient stocks for sales to be main-tained until the New Year. Pro-

duction will begin again some

Since ... Airfix acquired Meccano and Dinky, turnover

has only managed to grow from around £3m to its present 5pm. In the half year to September 30, 1979 Airlix reported turnover down from £22,29m to fill-01m, with pre-tax profits cut by nearly 70 per cent to only £261,000. This does not include the Meccano loss of £920,000.

The cost of making the 942 work force redundant is expected to be between £500,000

Baron Phillips

Sterling deposit funds

Waiting for the clouds to clear over the Channel Islands

A grey cloud has settled over nominated securities such as the Channel Isles-based sterling Treasury deposit funds due to recent Exchange, their taxation arrangements. Bonds. Although the funds are threat of a Revenue attack of a year, at present they are itself but the length of time it invested much shorter with

Keyser Illimann Central Assets fund and the Lazard Sterling access to his money. The maxi-Reserve fund, which stands at mum notice needed to redeem £70m, were informed three the shares is seven days. Reserve fund, which stands at £70m, were informed three weeks ago that the Revenue wish to consider "the possible application of section 478 of the application of Section 478 of the application of Section 478 of the main attraction as they stand, must be the tax position. The Act, 1970, to the funds.

This section deals with provisions to prevent individuals from avoiding income tax by transferring assets abroad. It is distinct from section 460 which gives the Revenue power to tax an artificial capital gain os income, from which this type of fund has been given clear-

Designed primarily for individuals or companies who have a future known liability or liquidity reserves, these funds offer a high degree of copital security by investing in bility to income tax on their short — dated sterling — de- returns under section 478. This

Bills, Bills Certificates Deposit and Local Authority a ruling is made, Keyser Ull-Bonds. Although the funds are mann feels the investor has generally prepared to hold "good grounds" to win an ap-But what is worrying some generally prepared to hold and managers is not just the securities with a maximum life

itself but the length of time it invested much shorter with could take to disperse this cloud. A definite outcome is needed one way or the other.

So far this problem only directly concerns two of the oldest and largest of the dozen or so funds now offered—the majority of which have been incunched this year. Indirectly, of course, the situation affects of course, the situation affects agement varies from fund to the whole industry which now accounts for some £230m.

Managers of both the £34m investment.

The investor also has easy

funds take their returns mainly in the form of capital gains—dividend yields amount to less than 1 per cent and so effectively transform corporation tax or income tax liability into a lower capital gains tax liability

tax arrangement managers gen-erally feel that it is unlikely to give these funds its blessing by taking no action at all. It may, therefore, rule that individual investors have a lia-

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leader, we are hopeful as to the future

development of these interests. Our other

retail interests in the UK and overseas also had

covered over 3.5 times.

Review of the Year

S.G. Warb'g Mercury Money Mt Seot 78 £10m 100 shares

Jan 79

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sider the worst that could hap-pen in the event of the Revenue successfully putting an end to the tax advantages on these schemes. At worst the individual is exposing himself to the risk of having to pay the tax he would have had to pay anyway if he invested in an income Sterling deposit funds based in the Channel Isles producing asset at home.

If the alternative merely means putting the money on deposit at the local bank they Size Investment orice

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are unlikely to be any worse off then leaving the cash where it is. But for those prepared to commit their money for a longer term, gilts held for a year and £10.82 a day to take advantage of the £10.65 capital gains tax concessions of a one-year guaranteed income bond, might be a better £10.27 €10-51

ively put an end to the tax

months before the position becomes clear.

The question of whether these tax advantages will still

be available in the future and the time it is likely to take to

answer it, leaves the investor in no-man's-land. Fund managers

can do no more than make sure both existing and potential investors are aware of the situation and leave them to

make up their own minds about

the likely outcome.

Both Keyser and Ullmann and Lazards have experienced

above average withdrawals in

the last few weeks. This does

not mean that these investors

are home and dry as section 478 could be applied retrospec-

tively. However, managers gen-erally feel that this is unlikely

if only because of the adminis

Before redeeming their shares, investors should con-

tration involved.

Sally Michael

Round-up

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Brown Shipley Sterling Capital Sept 79
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Save & Prosper Sterling Deposit July 78

Abbey Unit Trust Managers is in the vanguard of unit trust groups which have entered the international bond market. Its new International Bond Trust The British Insurance Associa-launched yesterday will initially tion has just published the concentrate on Deutschemark latest increase in its index of

£1,000 and as the income is unfranked for corporation tax purposes and therefore taxed within the fund the yield is an estimated modest 5.5 per cent.

honds and deposits and United rebuilding costs, which has now States dollars with sterling held only for liquidity purposes.

The risen by 24.9 per cent in the 14 months since the index was 14 months in July 1978

The index is included in a new edition of the BIA's leaflet A Guide to Buildings Insurance for the Home Owner which lists 156 separate rebuilding costs according to size and type of property. The figures are on a pound-per-square-foot basis, and the BIA emphasises that homes should be reinsured for re-building cost, not the market value—which may be different.

Barclaycard is monthly rate of interest from 2 to 2.25 per cent following the general rise in money costs recently. This is equivalent to an annual rate, with interest to be calculated on daily balances from next February, of 30.6 per

Access is bound to follow sometime over the next week. It cannot be long, either before the credit cards operated by stores fall into line although with the poor state of the retail trade at present it may be worth keeping an eye open for those stores that may decide to hold their credit rates to keep customers.

Lloyds Bank also announced an increase in its personal loan rares from 10 to 11 per cent flat, which is the equivalent of a two point increase to 21.6 per cent for the effective interest on a -one-year loan.

Bank charges at Yorksbire Bank are to go up from today. For those not maintaining ESO in their current account, debit entries rise from 9p to 14p

I would find is very helpful if Credit you could give me the names of companies who are prepared, having the necessary ex-perience to take on the actuarial risk, to insure people who suffer from (1) diabetes, raising its (2) hypertension, (3) obesity I have for long known there are companies with the necessary experience to take on these risks but never in 27

years of practice have I found brokers in this area of any practical help in guiding my patients to these companies. They have been accepted at an additional premium, but have no knowledge that they might have done better with another company who beoing more sure of the risk might have given the patient cheaper terms (JPC, East Anglia.)

The widely acknowledged leader among the insurance companies which is prepared to offer sympathetic terms to impaired lives is Sun Life Assurance Society, 107 Cheapside, London, EC2.

While in hospital my uncle showed me a letter addressed to his solicitors requesting them to draw up an amendment to his will so as to provide my daughter with a legacy when the time came for her to go to university. Since his death I have had a running argument with his solicitors as to why the will was never changed. The only conclusion I can come to is that the letter was mis-filed but I am sure it was sent. If and when the letter does turn and when the letter does turn up can my daughter claim her legacy? (CG. Chelsea).

Unfortunately, his letter would not of itself operate to change the will unless it was signed and attested by two with the course. Columbia would it. nesses. Only then would it amount to a codicil. If it has

been lost your affidavit to this effect would establish the legacy for purposes of probate However, even if the letter was not witnessed, but was merely a request to his solicitors to prepare a new will, your daughter may be helped by a recent decision concerning solicitors' liability for negligence.
If the solicitors admit or if it can be proved that the letter

was received but misplaced in their office, then they would be regarded as negligent in law. In a similar case, a dis-appointed relative who was intended to be a beneficiary was compensated for not getting the benefit under the will which he would have received if the solicitor had carried out the testator's request. If your daughter makes a written claim to the solicitors on the ground of negligence they will forward it to the Law Society Insurance Scheme, which will pay our the money to her if her claim is justified.

As a salesman, I am completely dependent on my car. The greater part of my income con-

HOFF of HEYBRIDGE HEATH









Pensions advantages offered by these funds. Either way, it seems likely that it could be several

Small company self-administration schemes

They didn't have pretty girls to 50 per cent of the self-draped over motor cars at the administered fund can be self-wembley nimh annual Life In-invested, that is ploughed back Wembley ninth annual Life In-surance Congress this week, but it is still one of the great parties for the life insurance industry and a time for unveiling

The fashion this year has been for the small self-adminisbeen for the small self-adminis-tered pension scheme for direc-tors of close companies, a concept which only really got off the ground in February when the Superannuation Funds Office in its by now famous Memorandum 58 effectively gave the seal of approval for such schemes.

Small self-administered pension schemes work on the principle that rather than making conventional executive pension plan arrangements with a con-ventional life office contract, directors should be able to control their own pension prospects and at the same time do their company a good turn too..

The key provision is that up

into the company. This is frowned upon for the standard occupational pension plan for company employees because of the possible risk it entails. But, for a small company built up-and owned by directors, the advantages outweigh the risks.
The advantages are that the

directors' pension contributions are offset against corporation tax at 52 per cent: or alternatively, if the director wishes he can make it a contributory scheme and have 15 per cent of the contribution eligible for tax relief at his top earned income rate, a maximum now of 60 per cent

Up to half of that premium, the SFO has ruled, can be self-invested through the medium of a commercial loan to the company. Although the pen-sions industry abound with sioneer" trustee. His job is to rumours that loans have not- see that the directors do not been used for such worthy pur- arbitrarily and prematurely

poses as plant or machinery but have been translated into yachts, racehorses and villas for. the directors, the tales appear to be apocryphal.

to be apocryphal.

There are a few tricky little points about loans which need watching if the directors themselves act as trustees to the self-administered fund. One set of rules decrees that directorsponsored loans to a company should not exceed 12 per cent (the interest rate seems to have got trapped in time) while another specifically for such funds, says that the loans must be at a commercial rate, at present nearer to 20 per cent. The simplest solution is for the director-trustee to resign before a loan is made.

To stop such schemes becoming a tax-rewarding toy for directors, the SFO has insisted upon an independent trustee wind up the pension scheme for their own excessive (in the taxman's eye) benefit.

Clearly the origins of self-

administered schemes were opportunistic. Newadays, the absolute edge of excitement has been trimmed but without destroying too many of the advantages for directors and their families of small private This has been recognized by

the insurance industry, now much quicker off the mark than if ever used to be in recog-nizing and acting upon a good This week Sun Life and

This week Sim Life and Merchant Investors joined the ranks of insurance companies willing to operate self-administered pension schemes. Legal and General Scotish Equipable, Haishko Life and Crown Life are in the market already.

In return for baving half the premium (varying between E5,000 and E10,000) invested through own pension fund con-

provide pension services and trustee panies administration. Because of income they receive for a aging half of the pen monies the establishment a are negligible or

Some directors will like security of having half the sion fund in an insured sche insurers feel is that h people actually given the chi of managing their own in back our of the responsibile However, for those who happy with their own ancial advisers, self-adulered schemes operated brokers such as Richards Listaff, Pointon York, Towny and Stemhouse, designed run in cooperation with exist advisers, should be conside The serting up costs generally be higher; the higher; the higher; the higher; the higher and not be greater

John Drummoi

Children

Get the timing right with maternity allowance their husband's contribution three calendar years after the

of late for an increase in the maternity grant, the lump sum payment of £25 that is claimed by women having babies. The amount has not been raised for the best part of a decade and is clearly insufficient for its original purpose which was to provide basic necessities for the

But not so the earnings-related maternity allowance which family budget. However, many women who have a couple of babies within a fairly short space of time may miss our on their full entitlement to benefit paid to those with the right National Insurance contribu-

Because the allowance is dependent on their own rather than

record, women who give up work after their first baby often work after their this bady often assume they will not qualify for the weekly benefit when they have another.

They would be advised to check very carefully. The chances are that many will be able to claim the full amount the second since structure amount the second since structure amount the second since structure.

the second time around even if they have not worked since the birth of the first child. And since the money involved is a maximum payment of nearly £35 a week tax-free for a total on your individual situation.

Payment of the maternity allowance and earnings related benefit depends on having made erough contributions in what is termed the relevant tax year. This can actually be two or

one in which you have the baby. Women having their first work up to within two or three, of the earnings-related element if you have enough energy months of the birth they may on top of that at that stage to apply well have clocked up sufficient. But whether it is your first Benefit rates increased contributions in that tax vear to entitle them to maternity to claim at the right time other-

of 18 weeks it is clearly worth she would cleam the allowance taking a tittle trouble to check on her contributions record. She cient contributions before she ficate given to you by your left work to entitle her to the benefit for any babies and market and the continue of the contributions before she ficate given to your by your left work to entitle her to the benefit for any babies and market and the contributions of the contr benefit for any babies she might late in applying you cannot

baby. Women having their first She would certainly get the flat backdared But if it is the babies will qualify on their con-rate benefit of £18.50 a week that is late you will be able tributions record and if they and she might get part or all obtain extra weekly payme But whether it is your first or second baby it is important

allowances at any stage in the wice you might miss out on a next two or three years as few weeks payment. The £25well.

Take, as an example, someone.

If week's before or three mouths, week on January 1. If you who had her first baby in October, 1977. If she was working she would claim the allowance on her contributions retord. She would have the baby in the middle of the 1977-1978 tax year. In normal circumstances she founded that the continuence is founded to meet the date shown on the continuence is founded to meet the requirement.

have in the next 21 years—regain lost weeks and right up to March, 1980 in fact, weekly payments cannot backdated But if it is the backdated. But if it is the backdated.

morth and the flat rate is a benefit goes up from a pre-maximum of £16.25 to £17.6

Michael William

Insuring the sick • Changing a will

This specialist readers service has been compiled with the help of John Drummond, Vera Di Palma

and Ronald Irving:

Forum

sists of commission. Owing to a period of ill health my income dropped drastically and I was unable to pay a repair bill of £400. Apparently, sympathising with my situation, the garage proprietor told me that he would accent £340 in sattlement would accept £340 in settlement.

sum from my brother in law and paid it in cash, but the manager refused to release my car. He told me that the proprietor had changed his mind and insisted on full payment as he did not see why he should make a loss on my account.

Moreover, he threatened to
charge me the cost of garaging
the vehicle if I delayed. I needed the car and had no alternative but to go back to my brother-in-law and borrow the balance. Admittedly, my wisfortunes are no concern of the garage proprietor, but surely once someone agrees on the settlement of a debt he is not entitled in law to renege, or is he? (DJG, Exeter).

The garage proprietor is partly in the right and partly in the wrong. Unfortunately for you, he is correct in insisting on full payment, even though he had originally agreed to accept a smaller sum.

The rule that acceptance of a smaller sum is binding on the creditor if he accepts it in saisfaction of a larger debt, only applies if there is some sort of dispute—for example, if you were claiming that the repair work was unsatisfactory.

to charge you for garaging the vehicle is not justifiable in law because the cost of storage cannot be claimed where the repairer is exercising his right to retain the goods until his repair bill is paid.

perfectly for a time and then inexplicably stopped. I wrote a strong letter of complaint and got someone in my office who lives near the warehouse to take it back. To my delight he was handed a brand new radio. But that is not the end of the story. Within two weeks a second placement radio arrived by

post. It also works perfectly. Morally I agree I ought to send one back but my colleague who is studying law says that I can regard it as an unsolicited gift and that it becomes mine after six months. My wife says that it would be unethical to keep both. Could you advise me on the exact "legal" position. Would it make any difference

(LW, Manchester). Your wife is right and your colleague is wrong. The second radio would not be covered by the Unsolicited Goods Act since the sender never intended to induce you to purchase it. It was clearly sent by mistake. Moreover, your wife is right in advising you that you cannot profit by their mistake.

if I pass the other radio on to a relative as a Christmas gift?

Once you decide to appropriate the second radio (parecularly if you intend to assume ownership by making a gift of it to your relative) you will be committing an offence under the Their Art. You are not legally obliged

to return the radio but you should write to them at once informing them of their miscake and inviting them to collect it. This will establish that you do not intend to act dishonestly. You could also add that unless they arrange to collect it within a specified period, say one month you will regard their ownership as abandoned. Such a letter would prevent them making a criminal accusa-

tion against you. It might also make it difficult for them to succeed in civil proceedings, if they delay unduly.

Our secretaries can file more than their nails.

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& General Fund was 50.4p [estimated gross yield 1.44%] and of American Turnaround 50.4p [est. gross yield 2.0%]. Investors are warned that next Monday's valuation may be

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THE GREAT UNIVERSAL STORES LIMITED

The following are extracts from the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1979.

by over 20%

Profits before tax increase

a satisfactory year. The finance division

Strength of the Balance Sheet

Ordinary stockholders' funds, including the

surplus over book values of over £250 million

disclosed by the recent professional property

Our major trading activities are in good shape;

turnover and earnings (unaudited) for the first

five months are ahead of last year.

revaluation, amounted to some £800 million.

achieved a useful increase in its profits.

Sir Isaac Wolfson, Bart., Chairman.

The Future

Excluding surplus of £250m on professional valuation of UK properties and provisions for deferred profit of £112m. GUS operates some 2,500 Mail Order, Retail and Industrial Establishments in the UK and Oversess.

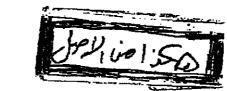


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On the other hand, his threat-

Some months ago I hought at radio in response to a mail-order advertisement. It worked

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EDITED BY MARGARET STONE

at takeover bettle is brewing fund in a net repurchase position en Rothschild Investment Trust Britannia Arrow for merchant rs Dawnay Day, best known for · Target unit and unit-linked unce subsidiaries.

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ma Arrow. ibolders and policyholders from sides, on the other hand, may to the proposed Britannia offer iwnay Day.

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aling expenses. Dunlop n at 44p and the shares around 50p. ould explain for new

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This year, again with a uck, Westland should be

or profits of around f so, a lot could happen

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ers in advance.

-and has other charms

Westland Aircraft,

recession we are will bite many com-

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which means pricing it on the low bid price basis.

Second, Britannia unitholders have surely had enough? It is a group which has put together over nine years, Hodge, Oceanic, National, Jessel and finally Slater Walker funds. Apart from the problems of having been a SW subsidiary, the group has only within the last three years reorganized by reducing, through werger, the numbers of funds from 44 to 23.

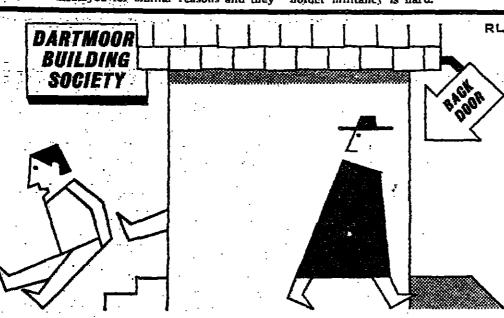
So why add another 18-odd and start the time and management consuming exercise all over again? If a life assurance link is needed, there is already a Britannia vehicle available; it should be used.

Dawnay Day investors might feel dismayed for similar reasons and they

could end up swopping a well-tried management group, which appears to be getting the performance right now, for one which is, for all practical purposes, little more than a year old and nence short of a track record.

The only recourse open to policy-holders is to appeal to the board of Target Life. Unitholders have no rights either, but they can bombard the trustee of their individual fund to say "No" on their behalf.

It would be constructive to mobilize your fellow unitholders or policybolders. Unfortunately, and here comes the grouse, not even essential information, such as names and addresses, is available to them, other than as a paid-for courtesy. The path of unitholder militancy is hard.



Foot in the door for Gloria

The news that a building society has been to the City to tap the wholesale money markets for its home loans and that the Government is setting up an inquiry into ways of overcoming the shortage of housing finance has not gone unnoticed in Sticklepath, West Country beauty spot and home of Allied Elderberry Wines.

This fact is evidenced by the following correspondence between Lieutenant Colonel Rudolph Grog-Bevington, swine, visionary and chairman of the aforesaid, and Reginald Pluckitt, capitalist running dog and chairman of the Darunoor Building Society.

Dear Mr Pluckitt,

You will undoubtedly be aware of the present difficulty facing your movement in raising money for housing finance. It occurre to me that you might well be in a similar position to my friend, Lord Trice, chairman of the Great Rockell and District have recently come to an arrangement similar to the one which I am now proposing to

The Allied Elderberry Wines The Affect Effectory wills Staff Pension Fund, due to last year's decision to increase members' contributions and to the advantageous sale of fim nominal of 1902 Chinese Railway Bonds, after the recent visits of Chairman Hua, is in a healthof Chairman Hua, is in a nearmally liquid state. As chairman of the Trustees I suggest that the fund deposits with you the sum of £100,000 at a guaranteed rate of 164 per cent for five years, subject to agreement being reached between us on enother little matter. This other matter ter Wainwright for 40 years at a rate of 21

per cent per annum on "Elder-berry Cottage", Sticklepath. I would be glad to have your reactions in principle to this

Rudolph Grog-Bevington."

" Dear Col. Grog Bevington, I was most interested to receive your letter. Am I right in supposing that your friend in ques-tion is the Lord Trite of tion is the Lord Trite of Cricklewood, also chaisman of the Great Rockall and Hong-kong Consolidated Trust and member of the Council of BILGE (British Industrial League for Gainful Endeavour)? His, of course, is a name I have known for many ways.

To turn to the other little matter, it is our full and frank opinion that the sum of £100.000 falls somewhat shorter than our expectations of what such an arrangement as you suggest might equate to. If the Trustees felt constrained to deposit the sum of £200,000 on the terms set forth in tion, we feel that it would be possible to see our way to our request, subject to the property concerned being surveyed as smisfactory by a firm of chartered surveyors.
Yours sincerely,

Reginald Pluckitt "Dear Mr Pluckitt a rich and rewarding business
After consultation with the relationship between us, and pension fund's auditors, Messrs
Delve, Delve, delame and the actuaries, Messrs Bluster, Yours sincerely, Reginald Pluckitt." merve, Delve, derane and the actuaries, 'Messre Bluster, Muster, Muster, McGle, Half-Staggers & Co, it has been decided by the Trustees that the figure of the 17tstees that the figure of £200,000 should be deposited with you on the agreed terms, but with one additional proviso. This is that a mortgage of £10,000 on the same conditions should be granted to my head-keeper Uriah Stoat in respect

of "The Pheasant Hut". Forty-Acre Wood, Elderberry Towers, since he will shortly find himself moving out of "Elderberry Cottage" to make way for Miss Darling-Friend.

It would be particularly appreciated if you would agree to this request, since Stoat will be sharing his new habitation with his cousin Silas Cramp whistle who is also one of our Trustees. The surveys you require will be carried out at once by our chartered surveyors. Delve, Delve, Bluster. Muster.

Yours sincerely, Rudolph Grog-Bevington."

"Dear Col Grog-Bevington, I am pleased to accede to your request for mortgage facilities in respect of Miss Gloria Darling-Friend and Mr Uriah Stoat in accordance with the arrangement agreed between its and warmly agricinate your this mutually advantageous enterprise, it occurs to me to bring forward to your attention the fact that the world is full of mutually advantageous enter-prises ripe, as you might say, for the plucking. I am in the course of formulating one such which I am confident will entail

PS. Your gift of a case Raisin-and-Parsnip 1927 greatly appreciated. Don't miss the next thrilling instalment of everyday financial

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Investor's week

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Index dips as technical rally fades out

shares suddenly took fright and finished the second leg of this three week account on a rather

Oils continued to attract most attention, but it was the news that Ivory and Sime had off-loaded its stake in Lasmo, with a placing arranged by Cazenove, which started the market on its downward trek.

Further news that Mexico had barred the Shah of Iran from entering the country and reports that all was not going well on the pay front with the miners continued to add fuel to the fire.

Ball-bearing business is thought to be picking up at Ransome Hofiman Pollard, now increasingly known for electrical compment. Soon it will report m the year to September and an increase in pre-tax profits from £3.8m to at least £5m seems likely. The shares are 63p.

After starting the day with a 3.0 rise at 10 am, the FT Index went on to be 2.3 down before finally closing 2.2 down at 420.7. A net gain on the week

Speculation that the new Treasury 15 per cent 1985 tap stock would be in demand Company Int or Fin Airfix Inds (I) Alpine Drinks (I) Assam Dooars (F) proved wrong and very little interest was shown.

Trading in gilts was subdued Brady 1865 (1) 5.7516.847 Delyn (1) 2.39(1.87) David Dixon (1) 5.49(5.54) Downs Sorgical (1) 6.57(6.76) Dudee & Lon Inv (F) —(—) Humphries Elidgs (1) 5.5515.43) with the longs finishing 51 to 51 off while the short were £1/16 to £1 easier. An early rally among leading

industrials soon faded out through lack of support, al-

finished unchanged at 464p. Rank Organization were 6p lower at 176p while Beecham dipped 3p to 120p and Courtaulds eased a penny to 79p. Oils were generally weaker following Ivory and Sime's placing of nearly £24m of Lasmo shares with the market which sent the share price slid-ing 5p—in spite of the offer for Oil Exploration, 2p lower at

1.3m shares in EMI, a couple

to 390p and 348p.
Among companies reporting

Sangers dipped 7p to 58p while disappointing interim figures left Scapa 2p lower at 78p and

of 13.7.

though most managed to finish all square, or just off the bottom. Glazo and ICI conrinued their advance both gaining 5p to 416p and 358p but it was thought to be mainly due to some short positions rather than any active interest. Pilkington Bros was a penny

firmer ahead of next week's of pence below the market maintained their recent figures at 251p and Unilever price, failed to have any influ- with Barclays 6p up at ence on the share price remaining unchanged at 133p. Thorn retreated 4p to 339p while

Averys also remained un-changed at 261p.

Shares of Wallis Fashions dipped 5p to 33p after dealings resumed yesterday expressing disappointment at the terms of the 35p a share offer from Sears for Oil Exploration, 2p lower at 638p, going unconditional. Despite a rally after hours most of the major oils finished below their best with profit taking and comment wiping 8p from BP at 378p after 376p while the new dipped 12p to 170p. Tricentrol shed 7p to 270p and Ultramar and Shell both fell 6p to 390p and 348p. Holdings, 1p up at 42 p.
Rolls-Royce were 3p up at 50 p on news of a large contract to supply Jordan with tanks and Lucas put on 4p to 222p on the brighter news from British Leyland. But Airlix slipped 2p to 27p following the aunouncement of interim fig-ures, that were due on Monday.

and the new group was winding up its Meccano subsidiary and postponing the dividend for two months.
Rumours of a bearish UKO International 3p easier at 119p. However satisfactory in-terim figures from Brady Indusbroker's circular resulted in a 12p fall in Consolidated Gold tries gave the ordinary shares a 2p fillip while the "A" ad-Fields which has seen received 2p fillip while the "A" advanced 3p to 51p. A placing of a lot of speculative support of

late.
The big four clearing banks

with Barclays 6p up at 406p, Lloyds 5p firmer at 283p, National Westminster 4p up at were also firm at 3120, but 3300 and Midland 2p stronger elsewhere on the bid front GEC at 328p.

> There is a gentle front in the jact that the first purchase—and sale—of the newer Tower Special Situations jund was Dawnay Day. Bought at 42p the night before the hid the shares were sold at 55p after Britannia Arrow came in with o counter-offer. Tower Group, of course, was farmed only a year ago by the mass exodus of Britannia Arrow executives.

> Insurances also showed small gains of a couple or pence while properties finished mixed Gains of between 50 cents and \$1 were witnessed in Golds Equity turnover on November 29, was 579.471m 111.741 hargains. Active stocks vesterday according to the Exchange Telegraph, were, BP New, ICI, Consolidated Gold Fields, BP, Ladbroke, Land Securities, Shell, Tricentrol and Marks 5, Species

Latest results

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Sangers group slumps 40 pc

The breakdown in resale George Robinson says that the came through in the second sale pharmaceutical industry has hit profits in the Sangers Group the chemists, optics and photographic concern. Pre-tax profits have slumped 40 per cent from £1.008m to £600,000

in the half year August 31, 1979,

price maintenance in the whole-sale pharmaceutical industry maintenance has been so sud-has hit profits in the Sangers den and severe that the in-

quarter of the current year and the full impact will be felt in the second half.

creased profits from the optics
division has not been large
enough to counter the downturn.

Mr Robinson points out that
under review. Turnover for the
under review. Turnover for the Reporting the disappointing the major breakdown in profits group increased from 533,681m results the new Chairman Mr on the pharmaceutical division to £36.59m.

Fire hits David Dixon, but profit up

way stage.

Turnover amounted to £5.49m compared with £5.5m for the half-year to September 30, 1978, while pre-tax profit rose from E363,000 to E441,000.

production difficulties during the first half, with new machinery problems contri-buting to less-than-expected buting growth. "We should increase our second-half profit as a result", explained Mr Turpin.

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approached the Takeover Panel over the effect on its bid of Palma Textiles Group's increased stake in Monafort. Palma now holds 12.27 per cent of Montfort.

UKO International down by one fifth

The cost of holding substantial stocks of lenses coupled to the effects of the engineering strike, depressed the first-half profits of UKO International. In the six months to September 30, 1979 pre-tax profits fell by almost a fifth to £1.4m on sales up £1.7m to £23.9m.

dividend at last year's level of

And with demand on the ophthalmic side remaining de-pressed in the second half the

directors have held the interim

The group holds a buffer stock of lenses amounting to some £10m but director Mr Andrew Blakesley admitted yesterday that this would be kept as tight as possible in the second half to prevent a large interest charge from crippling the full year figures

Export sales, which oscillate between 25 and 40 per cent of the group total, were main-tained though the strength of sterling did reduce the profit from this side.

In the United Kingdom, market share is holding steady despite an influx of cheap imports. In the 6 months the pre-tax profit on this side fell from

a previous £1.4m to £1.1m.

International

NEWS-ANSETT.-In the latest twist in the convoluted saga of Mr Rupert Murdach's bid for control of the Australian com-pany, Ansett Transport Industries. Ansett has announced that t will not register the transfer of shares to News Ltd. Mr Murdoch's company, because it may transgress the rules of the Australian Broadcasting Both companies run television

stations. BARLOW RAND. - Johannes-

burg: Barlow Rand's chairman Mr Michael Rosholt is confident of a year of continued growth ahead, though perhaps not as strong as that of the previous year. Barlow's annual report said although the gold price has shown a tendency to fluctuate and has reached record levels, it is expected to stabilize somewhat below the highest prices

MERGER APPROVED. — Adelaide: South Australia's Supreme Court has approved proposals for the merger between the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group and the Bank of Adelaide.—Reuter. BBC BROWN BOVERI.-Baden,

Switzerland : BBC Brown Boveri

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Good results make only

a modest impact

An odd week: the best people went on about the tightest squeeze on money ever and the bankruptcies and passed divibase has bathed this particular game deads to come. But down in the stock market where empty waiters and failure to pay bills is spotted quickly, one or two other people bought shares. Big name companies autdid

each other in reporting cheer; and the FT index rose from 408.6 to 420.7. So, in a week when nearly everything was said to be going wrong, what went right? As Horace Walpole said: "The

wisest prophets make sure of the event first." As a prophet of gloom next year, but not this, I have some explaining to A rally in shares in the shopping days to Christmas is normal Brokers' clients are in a mood to spend and City insti-tutions play a game called "window dressing". They tend no be full of money around now as insurance premiums are paid; and the authorities could well wait until after Christmas

The way, then, for institutions to buy a few shares is clear, because they dread going before their trustees with an account

before tapping them for some of it.

in a golden light. Only enginers like 600 Group and J. H. Fenner struck a sour note and, well, that was the engineering strike, was it not? EP led the way by producing profits only a Chancellor could count—in its latest three mouths it made fom

a day, much of it stock profit.
Johnson Matthey, BPB industries, Comet Radiovision and
Royal Bank of Scotland could not manage this, but to take just one example the RBS was good for a 42 per cent jump in profits in the year to September.

But the cheer as faint, the rally fragile. Twenty years ago, the BP figures would have set the market alight; on Friday the FT index and BP slipped as the market wondered what would happen to cash-rich oil companies when the oil price falls next year. Oil will probably go from scarcity to glut.
Taking the clutch of companies as a whole, in the months

Next year will different.

In the six months to Septem-LASMO LASMO
More than 522m worth of shares
in LASMO changed bands on
stock markets. Fund managers
Ivory and Sime slimmed down
their near 15 per cent stake in
the group by selling over 7m
shares at 310p a time. The more
followed LASMO's 570 million
plus takeover offer for Oil Exploration being declared unconditional.

Turnover for half-year to September 30, 29.79m (£8.82m). Pre-tax profit, £181,000 (£4,000). Interim payment, gross, 2.14p (nil last time). BRADY INDUSTRIES OIL EXPLORATION to September money was easy and profits not too hard to

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK Change Company 10p to 161p Good interim 10p to 197p Good figs 15p to 62p Bid laws Rises 116p BPB 94p Comet 32p Dawnay Day Dawnay Day Office & Elect Spec support Half time report 11p to 220p 118p Office & Elect 183p Johnson Matt 14p to 206p Litigation 133p 564p 930p 630p Coral Leisure 12p to 60p Acquisition : cash call 30p to 670p Hammerson Ladbroke Casino fears 140p 210p Oil Exploration
W Ribbons 142n to 638n 6p to 32p Annual setback

Dalgety and GUS hopeful

Dalgety and GUS Hopeful Shareholders in Great Universal Stores can expect an uplift in profits and sales for the six months to September 30, 1979 said chairman Sir Isaac Wolfson at the group's annual general meering yesterday.

He reported that both profits and sales would show an improvement over the same period last year, even after providing large increase in the unearned profit provision on additional instalment and hire purchase receivables.

Special interim dividend of 2.7p, payable on December 2, on Lasmo offer becoming unconditional. LEADERFLUSE (HOLDINGS) Turnover for first half of 1979, 1917,000 (£904,000), but trading profits down from £102,000 to £50,000. No interim payment (0.75p gross).

ALPINE SOFT DRINKS
Turnover for half-year to Sept
30, 57.69m (56.7m). Trading profits down from £927,000 to
£647,000. Interim payment held at
3.44p gross.

ASSAM-DOOARS HOLDINGS
Pre-tax loss for year, £108,000
(profit of £2.67m). Dividend, gross, 13.57p (14.18p). WESTERN DOOARS TEA Pre-tax loss for 1978, £82,000 (profit, £1.68). Dividend, gross, 7.48p. (7.82p).

SCAPA GROUP SCAPA GROUP

High interest charges and steriing's continued strength contributed to the 21 per cent fall in
pre tax profits of the Scapa
Group. For the six months to Sep-

ber 30, 1978 Great Universal Stores produced pre tax profits of £66.49m, which was nearly £9.5m up on the previous period, on sales of £678.74m.

Also promising better results in the current year was Dalgety chairman Mr David Donne. Dalgety, which presently holds 77 per cent of Spillers shares, expects to continue on an up-ward path through 1979-80. Mr Donne told shareholders at the group's annual general meeting that Dalgery has no plans to dispose of any major part of Spillers.

Briefly

tember 30, 1979. Taxable profits came out at £3.42m against £4.83m on turnover up from £33.59m to £36.59m.

DOWNS SURGICAL

Sales for 24 weeks to September 15, £6.57m (£6.76m). Pre-tax profits, £503,000 (£614,000). Board looking for upturn in sales in second half. **BROOKE BOND**

BROOKE BOND
Brooke Bond Liebig is to make
an agreed offer for the 75 per cent
of the capital not already owned
of Lake and Cruickshank, manufacturers of fine chemicals. The cash offer of 175p values Lake at 2952,000.

HUMPHRIES HOLDINGS Turnover for half-year to September 30, £5.53m (£5.43m). Pre-tax profits more than doubled to \$473,000 (against £214,000), but before deducting extraordinary items of £250,000 (nil last time). But profits for second half, after tax and minorities, not likely to reach first-half's £320,000.

LONG & HAMBLY LONG & HAMBLY

Because of engineering strikes,
etc., profits for half-year to
January 31 next will be below the
1280,000 figure for the similar
period last time, reports Lord
Dartmouth, chairman.

WARD WHITE
The Ward White Group has hought Reason and Pickles, Northampton press-work specialists, precision engineers and toolrs, for £575,000 in cash and

recently recorded.-Reuter.

expects parent-company net profit in 1979 to be about the same as the 41.7m francs re-corded last year. This should enable Brown to distribute an unchanged 50-franc dividend. Group turnover should exceed 9,000m francs in 1979 compared with 8,100m in 1978.—Reuter.

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MARKET REPORTS

Discount market

Money markets saw a swing yesterday that produced an under-lying surplus of funds where a small shortage had carlier been anticipated. The Bank of England dealt with this by selling a small quantity of Treasury bills directly

quantity of Treasury bills directly to the discount houses.

From a quiet start with rates around 15 per cent, there was a sharp spurt to 161-157, per cent when word got around that a shortage was likely, though market sources suggested the swiftness of this rise owed as much to nervousness about the Iranian situation as it did to the modest shortage that was indicated.

Rates eased a little and stuck for a spell on 151-1 per cent until after lunch. In the afternoon as it became evident that a surplus situation was emerging, rather than shortage, rates eased gradually down to 15 per cent, and eventually went on down to close within a band of 13½ to 14 per cent.

Money Market Rates

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Options

Friday gave way to the week-end feeling on the traded options market yesterday with husiness reverting to a quieter level than of late. Total con-tracts totalled compared with Thursday's figure of 984. Once again most interest was centred en BP, following recent third quarter figures, and Consoli-dated Gold Fields.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank 17%
Barclays Bank 17%
BCCI Bank 17%
Consolidated Crdts 17%
C. Hoare & Co *17%
Lloyds Bank 17%
London Mercantile 17%

Williams and Glyn's 17% # 7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 15%, up to £25,000 15%, over £25,000, 15°,%.

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Aron Products there. Police in Kuwait turned back a demonstration that appeared headed for the United States Embassy there and explosions rocked the United States Embassy in Thailand.

General Motors fell 7 to 51, Exxon 1 to 57 7, Boeing 1 to 441, IBM 1 to 651, Citibank 1 to 221, Chase Manhattan 1 to 371 and Superior Oil 11 to 125.

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New York, Nov 29.—Renewed concern about developments in Iran held the stock market in check and prices ended narrowly higher in active trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average added 1.28 points to \$31.74. Advances led declines four to three as turnover slowed

Near December was up 5.10 cents 155.10 cents.
155.10 cents.
COFFEE Indums in 'C' contract closed 0.05 to 2.75c lower. Dec. 220 00c: Mar. 203.50.204.00c: May. 193.00-195.40c: July 101.50-191.77c: Sep. 191.00c: Dec. 188.50-189.75c: Mar. 185.00-186.90c. May. 11 contract rose as much as the 0.50 cent limit in a late raily lan 16.05c: March 15.05c: July 16.00-16.10c: Sept 15.95-15.98c: Oct 15.95-15.98c: March 15.90-16.00c.
COTTON Indures were: Dec 66.50c: March 69.6%; May 71.17c; July 72.60c; March 72.00c asked; May 72.50c asked CHICAGO SOYABBANS, Oil futures

Commodities

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147	100	Frederick Parker	105	_	12.8	12.2	*8.1
158	110	George Blair	110		16.5	15.0	*
61	45	Jackson Group	61		5.2	8.5	*3.6
153	97	James Burrough	114	÷1		6.3	10.0
342	250	Robert Jenkins	250	-	31.3	12.5	*4.9
232	150	Torday Limited	225	_	14.3	6.4	+5.9
34	14	Twinlock Ord	191	-	0.8	4.3	*3.7
82	69	Twinlock 12% ULS	75	_	12.0	16.0	-
55	23	Unilock Holdings	53	-	2.6	4.9	11.3
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New York, Nov 30.—Stocks retreated in active early trading this morning. Declines led advances two-to-one and the Dow Jones industrial average dropped six points.

Analysts cited renewed turmoil overseas and Mexico's decision not to allow the Shah to return there. Police in Kuwait turned back a demonstration that

four to three as turnover slowed to 33 million shares from the 39,690,000 million traded yester-

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New York, Nov 29: COMEX SILVER Intures closed limit up 60 cents, but, the controversal spot December. The focus of a possible supply suggests, selected in the controversal spot December. The focus of a possible supply suggests, selected in the controversal spot leaded in 83.10 december. The focus of a possible supply suggests, selected in 180.30.183.70c. Jan. 180.20c. Feb. 182.32c. March. 181.70c. May. 187.30c. Jan. 180.20c. Feb. 182.42c. March. 181.70c. May. 187.30c. Jan. 180.20c. Feb. 181.30c. Jan. 180.20c. Feb. 181.30c. Jan. 180.20c. Jan. 180.20c. Feb. 191.30c. Jan. 180.20c. Jan. 181.30c. Feb. 191.30c. Jan. 181.30c. Jan. Jan. 181.30c. Jan. Jan. Jan. Jan. Silver: limit up 60c

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ZINC was steady.—Afternoom.—Cash £227.50-28.50 a metric ton: three months £325.55.50. Sales: 2,400 tons. Sorting.—Cash £325-31: three months £325.51. Live months £325.51. Sales: 1,900 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial. PLATINUM was at £245.45 15540, a troy conce.
ALUMINUM was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash. £910-30 per metric ton: three months £337.50-38.00. Sales. 2.700 tons. Morning.—Cash. £921-28; three months £325-38. Settlement. £928. Sales £1.00 tons. Morning.—Cash. £928. Sales £1.00 tons. Morning.—Cash. £928. Sales £1.00 tons. Morning.—Cash. £928. Sales £1.00 tons. Sales. £1.00 tons. \$1.00 tons. \$1.00

40. Settlement, £23,850. Sales, 180 tons.
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Nov. 1546-50. Sales: 17,738 tota includ-ing 5 collions.

COCOA was barely sleady (£ per metric ton: —Dec. 1510-15: March. 1488-89: May. 1494-95: July. 1513-14: 5801. 1530-15: Dec. 1551-59: March. 1571-80. Sales: 3037 lots including 2 options. ICCO pricas: daily Nov 29: 134.28: indicator prices (Nov. 50): 15-day average 18,26c: 22-day aver-sge. 136.16c. 108 cents per lb. SUGAR: The London daily price of raws was £7 higher at £169: the whites price was £1 higher at £180. Furures (£ per tonne): Oid contract (caster): March. 189.10bicul.

LEAD was Steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, 5533-36 per metric ton; three menths, 5537-38. Sales, 1.800 tons. Morning.

-Cash, 5502-55; three months, 5533-35. Sattlement, 2353. Sales, 2.800 tons.

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The conference chairman, Mr Anthony Hill (Jamaica) said the session had "taken two steps backward" compared with the position at the end of the previous meeting. ostand crossbreus
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Foreign exchange report The dollar continued under pressure on foreign exchanges yesterday, with further selling prompted by Mexico's decision not to allow the Shah re-entry into the country. Sterling ended with a fresh gain of 1.65 cents in terms of the dollar at 2.1995, having reached a peak of 2.2050 on the day. The effective exchange rate index held a 0.3 rise at 69.9 throughout.

2 centimes, from 1.62225 to 1.5980, against the dollar, additionally against the dollar, additionally benefitting from the removal of negative interest charges on foreign deposits with Swiss banks. German marks rose from 1.7405 to 1.7300, and French francs firmed from 4.08775. The Japanese yen fell from 248.80 to 249.40.

E105.40: Sept. E48.45. Sales. 170 lots.

Home-Grown Cereals Authority.

Location ex-larm spot prices:

Other Food WHEAT BARLEY

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From Alan McGregor

The United Nations cocoa con-

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Geneva, Nov 30

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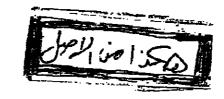
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Toys are by no means only

for children. Why should they

have all the fun? I never really understood the craze for

those so-called executive toys

that you were supposed to keep by your teather-bound blotter

and fiddle with when inspira-

tion was lacking. They were all so mindless, I suspected an ulcer

struck long before any construc-

Now there is a toy that does the thinking for you-and male chauvinists can keep their jokes about having a secretary already, thank you. This is a computerized astrologer called Zodiac. It not only tells you your character and shows you

how to make your own astrolo-gical chart, but gives you a preview for the day and advises on problems.

Of course, it only understands numbers, so you have to study the accompanying booklet fairly

your place, date and time of birth and look up the interand look up the inter-

pretation of the numbers it flashes back at you. When I tried it, I was told, among other things, that I was "competitive,

daring, enterprising, independent" (devilish clever these machines) and "tactless" (who, me?).

Its daily previews vary from the general "Girl/boy friend or in-laws are unreasonable today (who needs a computer?) to the specific, "Bad influences prevail today. Don't gamble." And the answers to your urgent problems are given in descending order of enthusiasm from "Go, go go"

stronger on numbers than on I haven't met anyone who isn't queueing to play with my sample Zodiac and I'm quite sure I wouldn't see it again if I hadn't hidden the instruction book. It is available at Hamleys, Regent Street, London W1, who

will send it (50p extra) by mail order up to December 11. It is absurdly expensive at £34.50.

but more fun than another I have seen called Astro at £24,

and definitely a gift for those

who have *almost* everything

Those who really have every-

thing have their own personal

tive thought.

bears who, one suspects, might never learn to play up and play the game, so as with any mail order service, I'd suggest sticking to something you know, in this case the traditional yellow teddy. By Merrythought and Chad Valley, they come in various sizes and I thought the ones with the nicest expressions were Fred, 11½in, at £11.30 and Edward, 14½in at £13.95:

The prices include postage and you simply pay by credit card over the phone, or send a cheque to The Teddy Bear Shop, 42-45 New Broad Street. London EC2M 1QY, allowing time for it to be cleared. Diala-Bear will send out Christmas orders up to December 13.

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Above: Fred the Flour Grader comes apart to make a baking set. His head is a sieve and bowl, body contains measures and sets of spoons. Feet are fitted with Fred biscuit cutters. Homepride baking set £5.75 at branches of W. H. Smith.

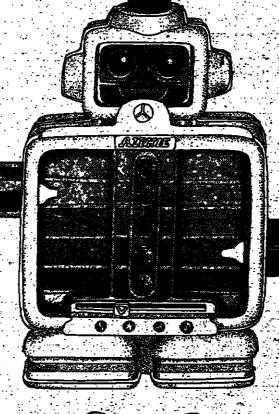
one inch module, can be placed in the locomotive and does not affect the track. It can be fitted to almost all OO and HO locomotives.

The modules, £5.28 each, are operated by a Master Control-ler, £39.94, which sits on the sidings looking as if it has peen sired by Cape Canaverel

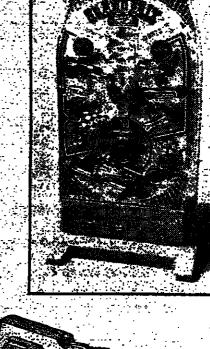
can control one train fully end allow three others to be running at constant preset speeds.
With the addition of up to three
Slave Control units, £11.45 each,
four trains can be independeptly controlled at the same time. And just in case you are not a budding Peter Perker, there is a panic button to pre-

rou can convert existing sets completely to Zero 1, but you can't combine the new system with the traditional wiring. The Master Controller contains all the electronics necessary for the electronics necessary for the next singe, available next year, which will involve points, light signals and other acces-

in SE13, WC1, N14, Birming ham, Manchester, Liverpool Notringham and many other Hornby service dealers through out the country.



Owl target lights up when electronic pistol scores a bullseye, £5.95. Robot Alphie plays four different children, sets questions and gives the answers, £28.50. Grand Prix Pinball is fun for all the family, £8.95. All from



Children with any sense of style at all know exactly what they want for Christmas this year : silicone chips with every thing. The toy of the moment is undoubtedly a computerized tiny mind guaranteed to drive

ou out of yours.
You may be made of stern enough stuff to resist the joint blandishments of the television commercials and of your young, who these days learn to lisp "special offer." long before they know their tables. If you succumb, be prepared to dig succumb, be prepared to dig deep. At anything from £13 to £25, chips aren't cheap.

But then, very few toys are.
The £5 toy, I was told this week, is "commonplace" and the average amount spent pertoy in the big London stores is £9. So the new electronic toys are not as outrageous as you might think. Sall, £12 to £25 is not the sort of sum I would want to spend on anything that isn't going to produce a good pleasure ratio per pound, so I decided to try out four of the most popular computer toys on a panel of experts, brothers Frank, aged 11, and Glen, nine. I and Sarah, 10. The prices quoted are those at Woolworths. They may be higher elsewhere.

Simon was America's biggest selling electronic toy last year. It looks like a flying saucer with four coloured panels on top and when you press the button it illuminates the panels in sequence, expecting the want to spend on anything that

in sequence, expecting the player to repeat the pattern exactly, like the nursery game simon says. It has three variations of game and four levels of skill. vels of skill. My testers found it amusing

for about an hour, after which they found the simpler games boring. They liked the more difficult one and played it interthe box and stay there.

Verdict: of lasting interest only to very small children, so an expensive buy at £19.95.

Merlin is a better deal at the same price. On one hand-held oblong box of tricks, you can olive as a same of the same of the same price.

ionehie and crosses with the computer opposing you with flashing lights; Echo, which is a version of Simon; Magic Square, in which you try to keep the lights in the outer squares only; Secret Number, in which you try to discover the mystery number set by the computer, and Blackjack.

The sixth is a music game.

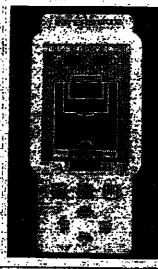
The sixth is a music game, a scale and there are tunes to copy from the instructions, or you can make up your own and the computer will play back your composition.

My critics found Merlin much

My critics found Merlin much more entertaining than Simon. It is intended for age seven upwards and Edizabeth, the most musical of the group, couldn't be parted from the music game. Verdict: entertaining for a wide age range and of reasonable lasting value. Muster Mind, the popular code-breaking game, is now also made like a pocket calculator. Players can try to solve the three, four or five digit codes set by the computer, or they can set their own for others to tackle.

tackle.

The older children liked this particularly and I include myself among them. I found it completely absorbing and quite



games with pre-school Harrods.



mittently for about three days.

Frank's mother thinks that when you have run out of friends who haven't played it before. Simon will go back in

lost track of time, but then was frightened by a math misress when I was nine an ever since have been dying to punch numbers out of some thing that can't wither me with sarcasm in return. Verdict good play value at £12.95.

Interstate Football is also the size of an everage calculator. There are four arrows mindi

size of an average calcularor.
There are four arrows to indicate the direction you can send your point of light, which represents your ball, and you have to manoeuvre it between a row of defence lights into the goal. The defence is random and constantly changing, so you have to be quite adroit. It sounds simple, but there are two levels of skill and at is in fact a raveting game, even if a two levels of skill and it is in fact a riveting game, even if fact a riveting game, even if you are, like me, mostly non-addict and believe that all outdoor sport is simply war, sublimated. Indoor sport too, now I come to think of it.

My resters loved it and played with it for six hours without losing interest. Frank and Glen thought it was the best game yet, so the verdict.

best game yet, so the verdict has to be that if you are in the market for electronic toys, this, at £15.95, gives most play value for money.

I should, however, add one small warning On the evening

I brought these toys home to test I was expecting an ex-tremely disby actor to dinaer. He is poetic and musical and arrised in a flurry of fine phrases. Until after dinner he only had eyes for me, but then his gaze unaccountably beamed? his gaze unaccountably beamens in on the toys as if programmed by en slien force. He spent the rest of the evening playing foot. ball with himself and every how and then uttering glade cries of "Pve scored." Not with



"No go". Computers are 11 11 11 16.35, 17 inch £12.90. Floppy snow leopard of very little brain, £24.50. All from Harrods.

Right: Allegro board

If you are looking for creative presents, have you thought of the V & A? The museum shop has a splendid selection of inexpensive but stimulating ideas, including the popular Pollock cut out theatres at £1.10 to £1.40, four designs of medie-val "stained glass windows" to colour and cut, 30p each and Street, London, W1. Beatrix Potter painting books If dolls are your fancy, there

is a Jillypeg kit containing peg, fabric, lace, hair and flowers for £1.15 and two simple rag doll kits, printed on sheets of fabric ready to cut out, sew and stuff. Single doll kits, Charlie Chaplin, a colourful duck, bon-netted doll, teddy bear and a soldier, each cost 70p, or there is a large sheet of four dolls. for £1.30.

The museum shop also has the cheapest stocking fillers I have seen—a collection of three 4 x 9 inch folding cards, each printed with drawings of a doll of a different period (1800-1810, 1830's and 1910) and each with three tabbed costumes and three hats. I remember occupying many holiday hours in my atric playroom drawing colouratric playroom drawing, colour-ing and cutting out paper clothes for paper dolls and then having fashion parades with another designing friend, whom I hated cordially for being the hetter artist. So for 6p a card, I can foresee all sorts of enjoy-able enmitties filling in the gaps in goodwill at Christmas.

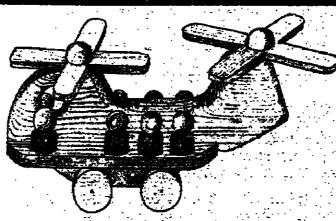
All the other items mentioned are for personal shoppers only, but these cards can he sent anywhere in the country by the Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road, London, SW7. Please send postal inches long hand-made in pine direct from Rogues orders or cheques for 69 per and beech with a natural finish. Ltd, Riverside Studio, card, plus 8p postage for one Particular favourites are the ton Bridge, Totnes, or two cards and 10p for three. air bus with detachable rotors, "TQ9 6AH.

game, invented to teach the theory of music without tears. For musical children, 7 to 17, £11.99. First puzzle with big, stand-up pieces, £3.50. Remote control car responds to hand-held clicker, £8.95. All from Hamleys, Regent

I met the best public rela tions officer in the business at the Design Centre in London recently. His name is Ben Godwin and he was crawling about the floor trying to load as many people as possible into a variety of vehicles from breakdown trucks to steam rollers. Ben is 2½ years old. Now ferrying people about in the most unlikely forms of transport is an occupational hazard of many PRO's, but where Ben snone was that the were she was playing with were all made by his father. He knew them well, as he is also the family market research department and had already passed them as playworthy, yet they didn't bore him. He was perfectly content to play with

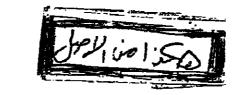
serious business of promotion and publicity. toys has the bonus of looking. and feeling good, too. They All these prices include post-are all created by former furus, age and the toys are available ture designer Tim Godwin; to personal shoppers at the De-and are satisfyingly chunky sign Centre, 28 Raymarket, shapes, mostly about six to 12 London, SW1, or by mail order inches long, hand-made in pine direct from Rogues Gallery

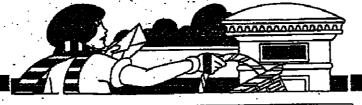
pilot, navigator and six passen-gers, £7.50 and helicopter with pilot and winch, £6.60. Ben played a lot with the haker's them endlessly while his van which has a hinged back parents got on with the door, £4.75 and with the articulated forry, 54.95. His favourite Anything that keeps 2 two men as possible into whatever year-old happy so consistently space was available, so it may be a good news and this beauti be a good idea to buy extra fully made collection of Rogues peg people (20n each) is toys has the hoppy of leading peg people (20p each) in wal-lets of one, two, four or six.

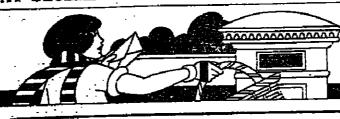


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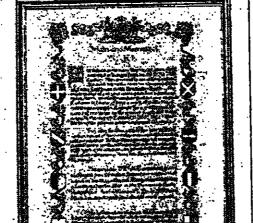
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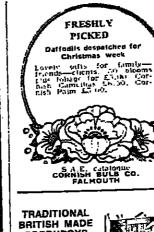
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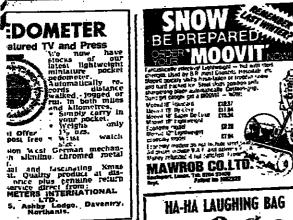
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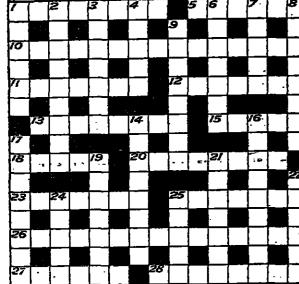
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23 Certain measures of confed- 24 Meets in the end (5).

26 Trippers may well have encountered them (9-6). 27 One of 2 in hospital (6). 28 Jam the gamekeeper finds himself in ? (8).

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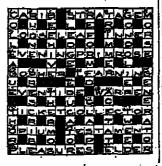
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